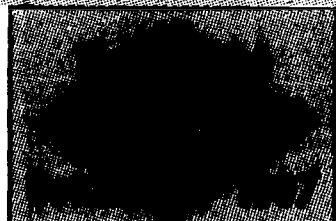




CRAWFORD COUNTY AVALANCHE



Thursday, October 6, 1997

"Home of the AuSable River"

Snowmobiles may be able to reach local businesses

By Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

A proposal to fund a timber bridge and multi-purpose trail through the City of Grayling is nearing completion.

The first coordinating effort was begun by the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce under the direction of Jerry Meyer in 1996. And, even though it was approved for alternate funding under the Wood in Transportation Program, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Forest Service in St. Paul, Minn., the acceptance of another proposal left Grayling's bridge in second place that year.

Since that time, an updated version of the original initiative has been adopted and was brought before the Crawford County Board of Commissioners on Sept. 30, as not only a matter of information, but to formally request the Board of Commissioners take ownership of the new bridge. The timber bridge, a red pine span of 81 feet, would be constructed across the AuSable River in Grayling and run parallel and be adjacent to Lake State Railway's existing bridge. Ownership of the bridge is vital to the financing of the project.

Richard Jaskowski, current president of the Grayling Rotary Club and spokesman for the attending group, said "thanks to Allen Lowe's efforts with the Michigan Legislature to extend legislation, the project can now move forward." This legislation has allowed a snowmobile trail to exist along the MDOT-owned railroad tracks from Fredric through Grayling to the I-75 Business Loop.

"Concern has been voiced for years that local business wanted to cultivate the snowmobile trade," Jaskowski continued, "so the need has always existed for a safe trail from the Holiday Inn, south of Grayling, along the tracks to West M-72. But, to meet the requirements of this current grant

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Beaver Creek looks to solve trash problem

The Beaver Creek Township Board of Trustees have been struggling with weighing different options necessary to counter the spiraling costs of trash removal.

Several special meetings have taken place regarding this issue. The board will be using another meeting — its regular October board meeting — to finalize their plans on the trash-removal issue.

The board meeting will take place on Oct. 13 and begin at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Beaver Creek Township office on Seven Mile Road.

One of the first ways the board members tried to eliminate the trash-removal concerns was by putting a millage request to the voters. The one-mill request for road-side pick up was defeated by township voters at the September special election.

The problem of removing trash in the township began to arise when the recent year-end figures came in for the amount being paid for trash removal. Beaver Creek Township currently does not charge residents for use of the transfer site on Merrio Road. That fact will remain the same until a new method is decided on by the board members.

The reported money figures for township trash removal made it apparent to the board that some action is needed. Between July 1, 1988 and June 30, 1997, Beaver Creek Township spent approximately \$216,000 for trash removal, according to township officials. Year-end figures for June 30, 1989

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Fall Colors



Grayling residents can enjoy the beauty of fall colors in Crawford County woods. State officials believe the area will reach its peak in the area.

Michigan Tourism Changes made to make second- largest industry even more successful

By Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The director of Travel Michigan, the new organization to promote tourism in Michigan, announced its plans on Oct. 6 to launch a new campaign to attract tourists to the state.

The new campaign, called "Say Yes to Michigan," will focus on promoting the state's natural beauty and recreational opportunities. The campaign will be launched in May.

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Yes to Michigan," which has been the theme for more than 20 years, to "Great Lakes, Great Times."

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Audience members agree with list of high school needs

Student body to help with survey

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

Grayling High School students, area residents, high school staff and members of the Crawford AuSable School District Board of Education got together in the Grayling High School media center on Monday, Oct. 6, to discuss the numerous high school infrastructure needs.

The special public hearing/community input meeting was put on by the school board members to receive some different opinions on the infrastructure needs of the high school. This was just one of the many steps that the school board is going through to possibly have a bond issue before voters next year. The process began early this year, when a committee of staff and board members discussed the various needs, ranging from a new heating and ventilating system to a new gymnasium.

The board has set the current time frame, with the goal of having a bond issue before voters during the June 1998 election. If the projected \$7.5 million bond issue was approved, school officials said at Monday night's public meeting that construction would begin in March of 1999, with certain structure items completed by the start of the 1999 school year.

The school board members planned to use the information from the public hearing at its Oct. 20 regular board meeting to make further decisions on the projected time frame. The officials will decide the next steps at that time, taking into consideration the information received. They may decide to seek proposals for architects to get the planning stage started.

Another item that the board will look at during its Oct. 20 meeting will be the results from a high school student survey. The idea of conducting a survey of the students came to light at the community input meeting.

Approximately 10 high school students attended Monday's meeting, and made various suggestions and gave their opinions on certain mat-

ters. School Board Vice President Brian Banda made the suggestion that a survey be done at the high school, so the student body could help answer an important question: should it be one bond issue containing all of the items or two bond issues with separate items on each.

The students in attendance said the Student Senate and Youth in Government group could get the survey completed by the board's Oct. 20 meeting. School Board President Marilyn Rosi ended the meeting by asking that the Student Senate and other groups meet with Grayling High School Principal Judy Gorski and Assistant Principal Mitch Rosekrans (who were both at the public meeting) to get the survey together and distributed. Superintendent Kent Reynolds also will be involved in getting the survey project completed.

There were some varying opinions about whether it should be one or more than one bond issue. School board member Jim Tobin said he believes it should be on one bond proposal.

"We don't need to split this up," Tobin said of the various infrastructure needs. "We need \$7.5 million to upgrade the high school after 25 years of use."

He pointed out that if the items are separated, and one of the proposals does not pass, then there is the intention that there will be more bond proposals in the immediate future. This should be a one-time deal, with the board not asking for more money for the high school over a period of time.

To show the different opinions, one of the students suggested going with three separate bond proposals. Some of the board members said they thought they should go with two issues, but were being convinced by the others at the public meeting that it might be better to go with one.

Although most of the people in attendance were in agreement with all of the items on the needs list, the items were still discussed.

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Camp Lehman escapee caught in South Carolina

A man who escaped from a Michigan Department of Corrections facility in May was recently apprehended in South Carolina.

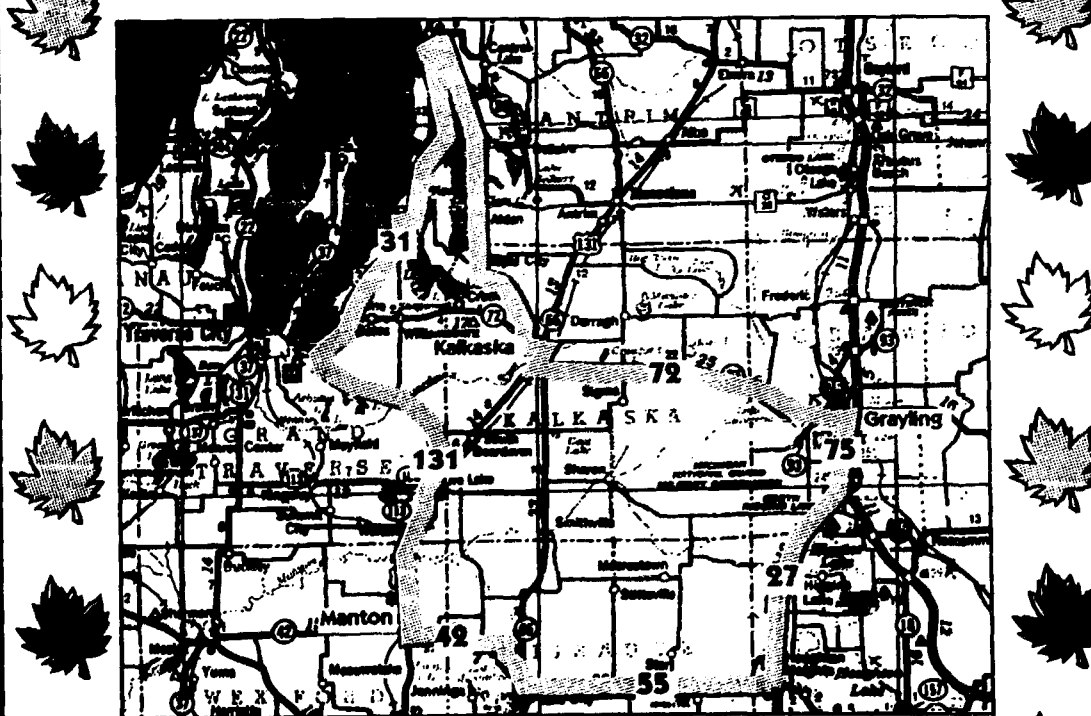
Richard Sian, 24, of St. Helen, escaped from the Camp Lehman Corrections Facility in Crawford County on May 25. The prisoner had been at large since the midnight escape.

Sian was apprehended in September in Beaufort, SC. After the resolution of his multiple felony charges in South Carolina, he will be extradited to Michigan to stand trial for escape from prison and habitual felon.

The St. Helen man was originally being held at Camp Lehman on a charge of unlawful driving away an automobile. The prisoner was able to go over a 12-foot high fence in the darkness on May 25.

The Michigan Department of Corrections reports that Sian is one of only a handful of camp program escapees. If current trends continue, 1997 will have the lowest number of escapees since 1976.

An Area Color Tour



This is considered the Grayling-Torch Lake-Lake City color tour, which covers approximately 170 miles. This map appears in the Michigan Great Lakes, Great Times 1997 Fall Travel Guide Book put out by the Michigan Jobs Commission and Travel Michigan.

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New 10-county health department formed

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

There are 10 counties in west and central Lower Michigan that have worked partially together through their health departments. Now, the counties have joined together even further to form one health department.

The new health department — District Health Department Number 10 — will include the 10 counties, including Crawford, Kalkaska, Lake, Manistee, Mason, Mecosta, Missaukee, Newaygo, Oceana and Wexford counties. The merger of the 10 counties into one health department was effective Oct. 1.

The 10 counties have been working cooperatively for many years with some shared staff.

"The 10 counties have been working together for more than four years in four different health departments," said Dr. David Nolan, health officer/medical director of District Health Department Number 10. "The former health departments were duplicating administrative roles.

They did get together to share some services and personnel, but they went as far as they could go without merging."

Michigan Department of Community Health Director James K. Haveman agreed that this merger is a great idea for the 10 counties and their residents.

"This consolidation is a wise and efficient use of public funds, but more importantly, it will result in better health services for citizens in these counties," Haveman said. "This is a great idea, and I am pleased to see that these counties and local health departments are working so well together."

The merger is designed to improve administrative efficiency, keeping the largest portion of the department's resources devoted to delivering services, as opposed to supporting administration. The consolidation will also help to bring scarce and needed personnel and capabilities to these counties, Haveman said.

The residents of the 10 counties involved will not see any drastic

changes immediately that would change the way they expect their service. Nolan said there will be no changes made, as far as what residents, who use the local health department services, will see.

The Crawford County health department building in Grayling will remain open. According to Nolan, there will not be any dropping of services or letting go of staff members.

No reductions in services or sweeping staffing changes are planned. Although reorganization will occur with time and need, neither residents nor staff will experience radical changes in the early stages.

County commissioners and staff from all 10 counties and four health departments planned and researched the proposed consolidation during a year-long series of meetings. Those deliberations and a favorable recommendation by a steering committee were followed by votes on the plan in each county. Crawford County Commissioner Kathy Black served on the steering committee. All 10

counties voted in favor of consolidation.

The new health board of District Health Department Number 10 will feature 20 members. The membership will be made up of two county commissioners from each county. Nolan said the location of the monthly board meetings will probably rotate among the 10 counties.

The new organization will assume the debts, assets, mortgages and contracts of the current departments, according to the steering committee. The committee also directed that county appropriations be frozen at present levels for the next three years.

Nolan explained that services will remain the same, and the 1997 level of appropriations from each of the 10 counties will remain the same over the next three years, meaning it can't increase. Over this three-year period, the board will look at various funding formulas based on population, so funding appropriations will be set for the year 2000.

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STUDENTS OF THE MONTH -- The Grayling Middle School recently selected its September students of the month. The students honored are Connie Alschbach, Andria Alvarez, Darryl Babbitt, William Brewer, Jenna Bugyi, Chris Gragg, Samantha Collin, Robert Collin, Michelle Elsner, Molly Ferrigan, Christine Gardiner, Doneal Gates, Brandon Gorr, Jason Henning, Tyler Huber, Lynn Johnston, Sasha Latuszek, James Lawrence, Danny Mahaney, Todd McCarver, Justin Markert, Ryan Mirate, Clairissa Piper, Monica Safin, Jennifer Schmidt, Rachel Spicer, Heather Stamper and Tom Stevenson. Missing from the photo are Heather Lohrer and Steve Stilson.

Photo by Eric Gaertner

First condos add to changing Grayling

The whole idea of building condominiums in the Grayling started about a year ago, and now the first one is built and nearly ready for occupancy.

The first condominium home in

Grayling is another example of the recent building remodels and moving of businesses going on in Crawford County. Numerous businesses have been sold, new businesses opened, remodeling occurred or current businesses moved to a new location.

Wildwood Estates Condominiums is another "change" or new feature in the area. The new type of residence was open to the public for the first time on Oct. 4-5 to allow people to look at the first completed condominium.

The developers of Wildwood Estates and future residents of the new building is the Rutter family. Bill Rutter and his family started the idea in September and October of last year. The condo-style home that was open to the public during the recent open house will be the future home of the Rutters, who currently live in Frederic Township.

"People tell us there is a need for condos in the area," Bill Rutter said, when asked why the family went with this type of development.

The Rutters hope that a number of

different items will help to bring in prospective residents. One of those is location.

Wildwood Estates is located on M-93, near Lake Margrethe. The condominiums will be nestled in the forest near the lake.

The development is close to town, yet in a private setting, Rutter said. It also offers quite a few amenities, including no exterior maintenance for the resident.

The duplex condominiums will be situated on 60 acres of land near Margrethe Boulevard. The property is bordered on three sides by state land.

It took some time before the first condominium duplex home was up. Rutter explained that since this was the first condo-style home in the area, no body was familiar with the regulations and other items.

The plan is for many more of these condominium units to be built in the future. The developers are in the process of developing additional units, and hope to put up a total of 25 condominiums when completed.

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Quilt show to be held in area to help fund the fight against breast cancer

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Every 11 minutes a woman dies from breast cancer. Everyone is aware of this devastating disease. The keys to combating these alarming odds are individual awareness, responsibility and increased funds dedicated to research.

October is designated as "Breast

Cancer Awareness Month." All across the country businesses participate by publicizing the campaign and making literature available to customers.

One business in Grayling takes the cause even farther. The Icehouse Quilt Shop staff believes this cause needs to be brought into awareness throughout the year with a final show in October -- from Oct. 10 through Oct. 18.

The quilt show and contest is free

of charge to attend and open to the public from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day, except Sunday.

"We are committed to helping our customers, friends and relatives overcome breast cancer by continuing to support the research that may save the life of our friend, mother, sister or even ourselves someday," said Ruth Tacoma of the Icehouse Quilt Shop.

Quilt For a Cure fabric was sold with the proceeds going to breast cancer research. The response has been great from the public. Quilts have come in from Missouri, Michigan, Illinois, Nevada, New Zealand, Germany and Turkey.

Tacoma said the stories behind these more than 40 quilts are so touching, as most are done in honor or memory of someone very special in the quilter's life, who has been affected by breast cancer.

People have seen how quilts can bring people together, how this shared interest can connect individuals and result in change.

"It is time to focus on this matter of vital concern to each one of us, to piece together a common strategy that will ultimately eliminate this disease," Tacoma said. "Bound by a common thread against the common threat of breast cancer, quilters can make a difference. And we are."

Community to kick-off Team Nutrition program

Grayling Elementary, AuSable Primary and the Family Nutrition Program celebrate Team Nutrition during National School Lunch Week.

On Oct. 16 at 6:30 p.m., AuSable Primary and Grayling Elementary will help Title I kick off its participation in USDA's Team Nutrition, with a night filled with exciting nutrition education activities at the AuSable Primary School.

Title I representatives will be joined by students, teachers, food service workers, and parents, along with community health and nutrition leaders, for this unique nutrition education activity. The night's activities will feature a Nutrition Fair.

The night's activities will feature a Nutrition Fair, where students will move through a series of stations sampling new foods and identifying where their favorite foods fit on the Food Guide Pyramid. A 15-minute Nutrition Seminar and the Fab Five Food Groups Video from the Dairy Council will begin the evening.

"Michigan State University-Extension's MSU-E Family Nutrition Program has a strong interest in children's improved health and

education," said Shari Dickson, Family Nutrition Program manager for the MSU Extension. "We are pleased to be a part of the Family Involvement Night and will continue to work with local schools with their Team Nutrition Activities."

MSU-E is a supporter of Team Nutrition, the nationwide program developed by USDA to help schools implement the School Meals Initiative for Healthy Children. As a Team Nutrition supporter, MSU-E works with Team Nutrition Schools, such as the AuSable Primary and Grayling Elementary which represents the community focal point to bring together individuals and organizations, with a shared interest in working for healthier school meals and more nutrition information for children and families.

"Participating in Team Nutrition is a great way to teach children about the importance of nutrition in a fun, engaging way. With schools, parents and the community all working together, we can certainly make an impact on children's health," said Janet Gatlke, director of Food Service.

How did the quilt show begin?

About a year and a half ago, Ruth Tacoma's friend from Turkey was in the United States at a very large quilt show in Kentucky. While there, she found a lump in her breast, and immediately went to the doctor upon returning home. She was diagnosed with breast cancer.

She came to the United States for her surgery, treatment and recovery, and lived without her family -- three young sons and her husband -- from August until May. She was living in Connecticut and away from her loved ones, but she found a quilt group there that helped her get through some of the very depressing times.

Also, some quilt friends she had met before were there to help her. But Tacoma was here in Michigan with her own family, and could not go and be with her, take her to treatments, bring in a meal or do any of the things a person would normally do for a friend. Tacoma could only pray that she would have a successful recovery.

Through work, Tacoma had heard about a lady, Bonnie Benn Stratton, who is a fabric designer and was donating money for every yard sold to breast cancer research. Tacoma got in contact with Stratton and this whole Icehouse quilt show came from those phone calls and letters. Tacoma learned that research is the key. Money is needed for research, because it does not happen without it.

"I would rather my own money went to research than on get well cards, wouldn't you?" Tacoma said. "As I spoke with friends and fellow quilters, this was the consensus."

The story of Tacoma's friend was a happy one. On Mother's Day weekend of this year, her friend was able to reunite with her family and surprise her mother with a wonderful Happy Mother's Day. She was fully recovered: a survivor of breast cancer.

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Kevin Kline

In & Out



Gaylord grad hired to teach math at GHS

By Nancy Lemmen

Gaylord High School graduate Donna Boughner has been hired by the Crawford AuSable School District (CASD) to teach mathematics at her former rival, Grayling High School (GHS).

Boughner graduated from Western Michigan University with a major in math and a minor in business. She has been a substitute teacher at Jackson High School and Gaylord High School.

It did not take Boughner long this fall to get involved in activities at her new school. In addition to teaching geometry, algebra and computer math, she is a freshman class adviser. During Homecoming week, she helped coach the junior girls to second place in the second annual junior-senior powder puff football game.

She already had ties to her new community, having coached in Gaylord with Brian Banda, CASD board of education member and "played many high school athletic events against Grayling." She also takes an annual canoe trip down the AuSable River.

Boughner said she wanted to teach in the CASD because, "I love northern Michigan and the people in this town are wonderful."

She said she wants the students in her classroom "to have a positive learning experience. I want them to remember high school as being fun and rewarding."

Michael Dean, GHS math instructor, was a member of the team that interviewed Boughner.

"In the interview, it came out that (Donna) seemed to really care about her students and she offered a lot of energy to the math program," said Dean. "She also had some really good techniques for teaching."

In her leisure time, Boughner enjoys sports, friends, reading, sky diving, white-water rafting and coaching.

She replaces Marty Winkler, who accepted a teaching position in her home state of New York.



NEW GHS MATH TEACHER — Donna Boughner, new math instructor at Grayling High School, chats with students in one of her six classes.

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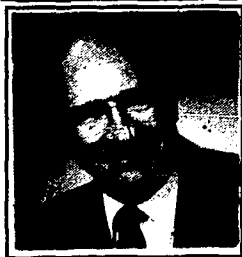
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Finances may snag Larry Owen

AND THINGS seemed to be going so well for Larry Owen's candidacy for governor, too.

A couple of years ago, when Mr. Owen was hustling for dollars to pay off debt from his unsuccessful 1994 run for the Democratic nomination for governor, the source of some post election financial help is being questioned.

Unless Mr. Owen's explanations come out as logical and believable, his high flying 1998 campaign could face major problems.

In 1995, Mr. Owen's stepson, Marc Curtis, offered some sizable donations to a couple of good government political action committees, which were controlled by some Michigan Democratic political leaders.

According to state campaign finance records, dug up by The Lansing State Journal and presented in a recent copyrighted story, very similar sums turned up in the Owen campaign treasury within days of when Mr. Curtis opened his wallet.

Amounts given by Mr. Curtis total \$42,250. Amounts given by the

PACs to the Owen campaign total \$44,000.

COINCIDENCE? At this point, it sure seems like it, but that has yet to be decided.

Illegal? Probably not, but that, too, has yet to be decided.

Does it smell? So far, yes.

Can it be explained? We shall see.

Will it hurt Mr. Owen's campaign? Either way — defensible or not — yes, it will hurt.

Will it prove fatal to Mr. Owen's hopes? Possibly.

And everything seemed to be going so well for Mr. Owen, too.

He's lined up support from big labor groups, from local law enforcement folks, from many other big names around the state.

He's way ahead of the pack in raising money for the 1998 campaign, too.

But now he's on the defensive, at least temporarily.

All the national attention on political fund raising abuses only adds to the potential harm to the Owen candidacy.

National polls show voters are getting fed up with what they interpret

as campaign finance skullduggery. And now Michigan voters have even more fodder for anti-politics fire.

True or not, the allegations of wrong doing can hurt a political campaign almost as much as the real thing.

PLAN NO. 71 — Meanwhile, down the turnpike in Washington, daily updates are required to keep up with events in the continuing saga of campaign finance scandals and reform.

Everybody wants reform, it seems, but nobody agrees on what to do. One count claims 70 different plans are before Congress.

Chances are nothing significant will develop soon.

Attention centers on curbing or controlling fund raising.

Maybe attention should focus more on the spending side.

How about these thoughts:

Ban polling, spin doctors, consultants, professional campaign managers and staff.

In a district or state race, all campaign workers must be volunteers who reside and are registered to vote

in the state or district directly involved. That includes giving money.

Require an incumbent's staff to stay out of the campaign: anyone violating even the spirit of this ban would be fired and barred from ever holding a public job again.

Severely limit use of perks by office holders during campaign periods.

Outlaw all political advertising, street corner rallies, door to door campaigning, personal contact between candidate and voter.

If volunteerism and personalism were mandatory, donors could give as much as they want, but candidates could spend only a very, very limited amount.

The excess? Stockpiling campaign funds should be prohibited. The day after election, anything left goes to the federal treasury to reduce the national debt.

There may be glitches in these ideas, but zero-based campaigning and severely limited spending would be better than it is now.

VIEWPOINT

By James Briney, Managing Director of The Road Commission For Crawford County

North Down River Road questions answered for county

People want to know why so much road work is getting done in our county, but not North Down River Road. Two questions have to be answered before any road or bridge project can be accomplished: What is to be done and how will it be paid for? These questions have been answered for all of the road and bridge projects The Road Commission has done over the past three years.

When it comes to North Down River Road in particular, there is another big question that no one knows the answer to, yet. And that is whether North Down River Road will be taken over by the state. The legislature and the governor tussled over this issue of jurisdiction in 1997, and will take it up again in the 1998 session.

So, even if it were known what is to be done and where the money is coming from, for work to improve North Down River Road, many would consider it very foolish to spend the finite dollars available to our small agency on a road we may no longer have responsibility for. Until such questions are answered, North Down River Road will be maintained throughout the year by Road Commission crews: using existing revenue.

In 1996 The Road Commission For Crawford County invested \$11,000 per mile in repairs to North Down River Road. They are evidenced by the gray scarring which is seen from the business loop past the cemetery, recycling center, Transit Authority and toward M.A.T.E.S. Had this work not been done, that stretch of North Down River Road would have deteriorated to the gravel base and be significantly worse than it is today.

If the state does not take over North Down River Road, it will take the cooperation and financing of all interested parties to do what eventually needs to be done, and that is to rebuild. It will take at least \$700,000 to do that job, for approximately five miles. In the meantime, elements of our community have also expressed interest in bicycle paths, a signal, a new bridge and an interchange, in addition to rebuilding North Down River Road. When agreement is reached on these matters, a compre-

hensive plan will incorporate and schedule all of the improvements to be made. This will insure getting each element of the work done and reduce the possibility of having to redo certain portions of the project.

Given the expansion and contraction of the earth, created by frost heaves, our roads can be expected to last 20 years, when properly constructed. This includes an adequate base, crown, ditches, shoulders, drainage and paving material. Since many roads have not always been built to the highest standard, they can not be expected to last as long. To preserve and extend the life of a road, without paying the cost to rebuild, other remedies are available and being used. This includes prime and seal, or chip seal. The cost to do this work varies, depending on the type of material used and how many applications are called for. At best, such work runs between \$10,000 and \$20,000 per mile and will extend the life of a relatively good road about five years.

Because Road Commission crews have had adequate materials and equipment in recent years, over 700 tons of road-patching material was put in place this spring. This resulted in complaints being down and meant crews were available throughout the summer to perform routine and other maintenance tasks. Yet, with as much work as has been done, we know it is a never-ending task. The Board of Road Commissioners and every one of the 33 Road Commission employees wants to do, and is working to do, the very best that can be done to provide you with a reasonably safe and adequate road system.

In 1995, The Road Commission For Crawford County produced and distributed a Report to the Citizens. That report focused attention on our duties and responsibilities related to road maintenance, and provided information on all of the local, primary and state roads we maintain. At that time a commitment was made to provide information to the public at least every other year, in the non-election years, so you will have the facts, information and results of our program. Watch for the 1997 report, due for distribution in November of this year.

Back-to-school shopping adds up for retailers

Michigan retailers posted some of their best numbers of the year in August as back-to-school shoppers loaded up on new clothes and other merchandise.

Fifty-five (55) percent of the state's retailers increased year-to-year sales for the month, the best performance since last November, according to the Michigan Retail Index, a monthly survey conducted by the Michigan Retailers Association (MRA) and the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

Another 14 percent reported no change, and 31 percent saw sales decline.

The increases came despite the UPS labor dispute, which negatively impacted nearly three-fourths of the state's retail businesses. The Index survey found that the strike hurt 22 percent of retailers "significantly"

and another 50 percent "somewhat."

"August picked up where July left off in terms of rebounding sales," said Larry Meyer, MRA Chief Executive Officer and former director of the Michigan Department of Commerce. "Coming off two good months, retailers expect to increase inventory, promotional activities and, in many cases, hiring as they look ahead to a good fall and the start of the holiday shopping season."

Sales were solid all across the state as shoppers focused on general merchandise and apparel. General merchandise retailers led the industry, with 65 percent reporting increased sales. Fifty-seven (57) percent of apparel retailers boosted sales, their best performance since February 1996.

Point Of View

by Kent Reynolds, Crawford AuSable School District Superintendent

Untangling the school funding controversy for state's schools

There is confusion as to the present state of school funding in Michigan. Since the State School Act was adopted by the legislature early last summer, why is the legislature still haggling over it today? Two events touched off the present controversy. First, the Michigan Supreme Court ruled that the State was in violation of the Michigan constitution and that the State must pay school districts for past under funding of mandated services. They also ruled that the State must pay for those services in the future at a rate no lower than the rate in 1978, when the Headlee amendment to the constitution was approved by Michigan voters. Second, Governor Engler exercised a line-item veto for three components of the State School Aid Act.

The vetoed component of the State School Aid Act, which has had an immediate and devastating impact on school districts, is "at risk" categorical funding. The Crawford AuSable School District received \$387,633 in "at risk" funds last year. This year's budget was adopted by the board of education, anticipating the same "at risk" revenue. There was no indication from Lansing during development of the State School Aid Act that the funds were in jeopardy, in fact the legislature increased "at risk" funds, with Crawford AuSable scheduled to receive \$421,186 this year. The Governor's veto came one full month into the

current fiscal year, after most districts had committed most of the funds. He cited the need to hold funds until decisions were made, as to how the State will comply with the Supreme Court directive.

While the Governor's rationale may seem logical on the surface, it has to be tempered with the facts that Governors and legislatures have been knowingly violating the constitution for almost 20 years and that the Supreme Court has now ruled three times over the past several gaging districts for those years. The dilemma faced by the Governor and legislature is where to find funds to pay for past violations. Several plans are circulating in Lansing including use of the "rainy day" fund and sale of bonds to be repaid by the State.

The State School Aid Act adopted by the legislature assures compliance in the future through an accounting manipulation. Foundation grant funds already assured to districts are being separated into special education and non-special education categories based on each district's actual special education student count. In the case of Crawford AuSable, that manipulation assures reimbursement for more than 28.6 percent of special education costs without giving the district one penny more than they would have received under the formula without the court decision! In fact, the district will receive less special education money than last year as the Act eliminates the six to seven

percent reimbursement received last year, a loss of \$63,285! Present discussion in Lansing indicates a possibility that the final resolution may be to hold districts "harmless," to insure that no district receives less for special education. It appears that the accounting manipulation will continue. Except for potential payments for past violations, the future impact of the Supreme Court decision on school districts into the future is minimal.

As we have just completed the first quarter of our fiscal year with most funds committed for the year, we await final determination of our funding. It seems reasonable to expect a completed State School Aid Act before the start of the fiscal year. It's hard to believe we don't have one with 25 percent of the year gone, years, in this same case, that the State violated the constitution. This most recent ruling was the penalty ruling, following the final ruling last winter that the State was in violation. It should have come as no surprise that the State would have to pay for past violations and for future compliance. Why then this "shoot from the hip" action by the Governor? Shouldn't we expect that the Governor and legislature would have planned compliance action during development of the budget?

School districts receive "at risk" funds through a formula based on the percentage of free and reduced price lunch students within each district.

Crawford AuSable uses their "at risk" funds primarily for technology and for a two-hour paraprofessional for each first through fifth grade classroom. The paraprofessionals assist students in small groups and one-on-one with reading and mathematics. Most technology expenditures were committed during the early summer to insure delivery for the start of school. The only opportunity the board of education had to reduce "at risk" expenditures until final determination of funding was to lay off the two-hour paraprofessionals and to hold planned technology expenditures which were not committed. As the Governor publicly stated that the "at risk" funds would be restored, the board has temporarily hired the paraprofessionals. If funds are not allocated by the State by the Oct. 20 board meeting, the layoffs will have to occur. Dollars can not be committed on a promise by the Governor.

The primary mandated service subject to the Supreme Court ruling is special education. In 1978, special education costs were reimbursed at a rate of 28.6 percent. In 1996-97, the rate was between six and seven percent. To contain cost, the court ruled that the 84 districts which filed the action against the State must be reimbursed the difference for the 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94 school years. The Governor contends that the State also owes the non-liti-

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Letters to the Editor and photographs must be turned in by Friday noon to be considered for the next issue. Please use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must

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Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday, 5 p.m.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not reflect the views of the Crawford County Avalanche.

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-

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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Parent support group to meet

ADD/ADHD Parent Support group meeting to take place at the Grayling Middle School conference room at 7-9 p.m. Childcare and transportation are available. Call 348-7641, ext. 527/528 for more information.

Pictures of FHS on display

Residents are invited to come to the Frederic Community Library to see the pictures of the old Frederic High School graduates. The hours are Monday and Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and Wednesday and Thursday, 1 to 6 p.m.

RSVP volunteers are needed

RSVP volunteers are needed to help children ages 4 and 5 with reading and art projects in the headstart program. There are two classes -- 9-noon and noon-3 p.m. If interested, please call Connie or Renee at the RSVP office, 348-4143.

Western Michigan University to perform

The Western Michigan University Symphonic Band, under the direction of Dr. Robert I. Spradling, will perform at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 9.

Volunteers need for agency

Volunteers are still needed to complete construction of the Habitat for Humanity house. Interested persons should meet at the site on Saturdays. Call Barb at 348-1132 for directions.

MAGISTRATE

Appearing before Magistrate Jean Callewert for the period of June 16-30, 1997.

Gerald Michael Hall, of West Bloomfield, Mich., was fined \$100 for Fishing Closed Waters.

Christopher John Roberts, of West Bloomfield, Mich., fined \$100 for Fishing Closed Waters.

Kenneth Ryan Wells, of Flint, Mich., fined \$60 for Violating Quality Water Rules.

Leah Diane Lingle, of Grayling, Mich., fined \$70 for Fishing w/o License/Res.

Elton Ray White III, Otisville, Mich., fined for Fishing w/o License/Res.

Also seven ORV Violations, three Litter/Improper Disposal Solid Waste, three Camping Violations, three Boating Violations, one Fail to Tarp Load, one Wetlands Violations, one Minor In Possession, - Alcohol, one misc. Traffic offense.

Appearing before Magistrate Jean Callewert for the period of July 1-31, 1997.

Benjamin Leo Engelhardt, fined \$144 for Poss. Bow/Gun area freq w/o Lic.

Benjamin Leo Engelhardt, fined \$84 for No Hunter's Orange.

Ryan Lee Marion, fined \$70 for Undersized Fish.

Thomas Fredrick Daman, fined \$45 for using too many lines.

Jason Neil Pelkey, fined \$70 for undersized fish.

John Anthony Galloway, fish w/o Lic - Res.

Nathaniel O'Dell Grundy, fined \$120 for No Fishing License/Non-Res.

William Arthur McCumber, fined \$70 for Fishing w/o Lic - Res.

Christopher Hugh Cuddohy, fined \$70, No Trout Stamp.

Craig Armitage, fined \$120, No fishing License/Non-Res.

Joel Angelo Petracci, fined \$120 No Fishing License/Non-Res.

Darwyn Loyd Rigel, fined \$70, No Trout Stamp.

Also 30 ORV Violations; 6 Boating Violations, two Littering, four Camping Violations, two Fire Law Violations, one Snowmobile Violations, two Liquor Violations.

Appearing before Magistrate Jean Callewert for the period of August 1-31, 1997.

Scott Robert Lowder of Parma, fined \$70 for Undersized Fish.

Ronald Alan Daugherty of Novi, fined \$70 for Fish w/o Lic.. Non-Res.

Reynalda Napolitano of St. Helen, fined \$45 No Trout Stamp - Attempt.

Jason James Grezeiak of Shelby Twp., fined \$70 for Fishing w/o License, Res.

Shane Michael Gamez of Saginaw, fined \$100 for Fishing Trout Strm/Lk during closed Sesn \$100.

Gratian Ioan Crisan of Detroit, fined \$70 No Trout Season.

Thomas Richard Gibbons of Grayling, fined \$70 for Undersized Fish.

Robert Merle Baker, Grayling, fined \$35 Fail to Show License on Demand

Christopher B. Essig, of Columbus, Ohio, fined \$120.

Matthew Franklin, Waugh, Ypsilanti fined \$120 shining between 11 p.m.-6 p.m, November.

Terrance Ulrich Donovan of Ferndale, fined \$70 for Undersized Fish.

Joshua Michael Mrozowsky of Warren, fined \$320 for Ill. Kill/Poss Purc/Sale of ANI.

Also 15 ORV Violations, 11 camping violations, three Fire Violations, three Boating Violations, one Traffic, three Minor In Poss - Alcohol.

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Meharg renews credentials

Verna Meharg, Treasurer/Income Tax Administrator for Grayling, is one of 20 members of the municipal Treasurers' Association of the United States and Canada (MTA US&C) who successfully renewed their Certified Municipal Finance Administrator (CMFA) credential in 1996-97. Meharg was formally recognized for this achievement on Aug. 20, during the association's 32nd Annual Conference in Sacramento, Calif.

Meharg was originally awarded the professional designation in 1992. There are currently 297 members of the association who hold the CMFA designation across the United States and Canada.

The CMFA program is a professional certification designed to recognize individuals who demonstrate a strong knowledge of the field of public finance and whose performance within the treasury management profession is exemplary. Recipients were required to meet specified education and experience standards in order to accumulate the necessary points for certification, and must renew the credential every five years.

MTA US&C has established CMFA Institutes around the country that offer

courses on the various areas relating to the treasury management profession. In addition to the opportunity to earn education points towards the CMFA credential, the institutes provide attendees with a forum for expanding their knowledge of public finance and keeping abreast of the constantly changing field of fiscal management.



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Peter

Short, Peter speak vows

Mary Short announced the marriage of her daughter, Bonnie Jean Short, to Charles Peter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Peter of Atlanta, Mich. The date of marriage was June 20 at the home of Peter's parents in Atlanta. The new couple made their home in Atlanta.



PERFORMING LOCALLY — Eddie and Company are coming to Grayling. Eddie and all his friends are under the direction of Rev. Al and Nancy Eastman. They have traveled throughout the midwest, presenting the gospel of Jesus Christ through Clowning, puppets, stories, object lessons and song. The crusades are for the whole family. Eddie and his friends will be at the Grayling Assembly of God Church Sunday, Oct. 12 through Wednesday, Oct. 15 at 6:30 p.m. nightly. The Church is located on the I-75 Business Loop. For details call 348-8885.



Wednesday - 11 am Grayling Eagles Auxiliary #3465 Eagles Club, 602 Huron Grayling

Wednesday - 6:30 pm Knights of Columbus K of C Hall, 604 Norway Grayling

Thursday - 7 pm American Legion Hall Post 106 - Grayling

Friday - 6:30 pm Grayling Eagles Aerie #3465 Eagles Club, 602 Huron Grayling

Saturday - 6:30 pm Fredene Volunteer Fire Department 600 E. Township Hall

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WMU Symphony Orchestra Thursday, October 9, 1997

THURS 9	•MINIMAL FEE Blood Pressure & Blood Sugar screenings @ Commission on Aging, 11 am - 12 noon. •PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES Early dismissal for all students beginning with HS @ 12:16 pm. •GBB vs. West Branch Ogemaw Heights, away, 6:15 pm. •JV FB vs. Lincoln Alcona, home, 7:30 pm. •CONCERT "WMU SYMPHONY" @ Joseph Stripe Auditorium, 7:30 pm. •TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) @ Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. For more information call Mary Kay, 348-1398.
FRI 10	•END OF MS 6-week marking period. •VAR GIRLS TENNIS regionals. •VAR BOYS GOLF MHSAA regionals. •VAR FB vs. Lincoln Alcona, away, 7:30 pm.
SAT 11	•LAKE MARGRETHE Property Owners membership meeting @ Camp Grayling Officers' Club, 9 am. •CROSS COUNTRY @ West Branch Ogemaw Heights, 11 am. •HOSPITAL AUXILIARY Craft Show @ Grayling High School. •YOM KIPPUR.
SUN 12	•ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today. •NATIONAL SCHOOL Lunch Week begins.
MON 13	•WELCOME WAGON Club meets for potluck dinner and program by chamber of commerce, 6 pm. Call Rose Smith (348-5598), Shirley Young (348-8204) or Betty Mansfield (348-8562) for directions and questions. •KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. •MS GBB vs. Gladwin, 7th, 8th away. •VAR BOYS SOCCER vs. West Branch Ogemaw Heights, away, 5 pm. •FRESH GBB vs. Gladwin, away, 6:15 pm. •COLUMBUS DAY.
TUES 14	•CRAWFORD COUNTY RESOURCE Council meeting @ Mercy Hospital private dining room, 12 noon. •AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY meeting @ Citizens Bank, 1 pm. •GPA MEETING @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. •PSAT/BNSQT test. •VAR BOYS SOCCER vs. Gaylord, home, 4 pm. •GBB vs. Gladwin, home, 6:15 pm.
WED 15	•ROTARY MEETING @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm, meeting 5:30 pm. For more information call Mary, 348-5306. •LIONS CLUB meeting @ Breaker's Steak House, 6:30 pm. •PROJECT GRADUATION meeting @ Grayling High School, 7 pm. •MS GBB vs. Tawas, 7th, 8th home. •FRESH GBB vs. Tawas, home, 6:15 pm. •VAR BOYS SOCCER vs. Roscommon, home, 5 pm.

National Denim Day, October 10th to raise funds for breast cancer research and education.

Wear your jeans to North Central Area Credit Union on October 10th, make a donation, and receive a pink ribbon lapel pin (the universal symbol for breast cancer awareness).

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The Bible Speaks

From the Calvary Baptist Church

Why Heaven?

A man once made a left turn in front of me resulting in a head-on collision. He rushed from his vehicle to ask about my condition. I said, I'm fine, but let me ask you a question, had you died in this accident would you have gone to heaven? He smiled and assured me he too was a born-again believer in Jesus Christ. We used the occasion to rejoice together as spiritual brothers in Christ, because of God's mercy and love.

Someone has said, "Everyone wants to go to Heaven, but nobody wants to die!" Yet, our time of death is God's choice. (Hebrews 9:27) "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." When asked if they would go to Heaven today if they should die, most people respond with uncertainty. They usually say something like, "I think I will" or "I hope so."

When asked what is their hope of Heaven? Many respond as trusting their own good life or good works. Yet in God's sight, "there is none that doeth good, no; not one." (Romans 3:12). "For there is not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not." (Ecclesiastes 7:20) "But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags..." (Isaiah 64:6) "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;" (Romans 3:23)

Because all of us were sinners facing death, God sent His Son to die in our place for our sins, and to give us eternal life. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16) "He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of

God hath not life. {13} These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God." (1 John 5:12-13)

Heaven is a prepared place for a prepared people. Jesus Christ promised His disciples, "In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. {3} And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself, that where I am, there ye may be also." (John 14:2-3). Are you sure you would go to Heaven if you should die today?

Pastor "B"

Visit our church Web page at: <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Ranch/1263/>

October weekends filled with activities

Free hay rides, a vintage cider mill in operation, pumpkins and other fall-decoration items will fill October weekends at Wellington Farm Park near Grayling.

Weekend visitors to the park during the month of October will be offered a free hay ride around the park. Wellington's small, turn-of-the-century cider mill will be in operation, demonstrating the cider-making process.

Pumpkins, corn shocks, sugar cane and gourds will be offered for sale at the park's visitor center, along with the other items normally found there.

The petting barnyard will be available for children and, weather permitting, other attractions of the park may also be in operation. These would include the sawmill, blacksmith shop, and Wellington's newest

attraction, the kitchen.

Wellington Farm Park will be open weekends during the month of October from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. On weekdays during the month, Wellington Farm Park will be conducting an education program for fourth-grade students from through-

out northern Michigan. Several bus groups will also be visiting the park during October.

Further information about the operation of Wellington Farm Park, or to schedule special outings, call toll free 888-653-3276.

Order of Eastern Star to convene in Grand Rapids; Grayling people to attend

Grayling Chapter Number 83 Order of the Eastern Star will be in attendance, when the Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star convenes in Grand Rapids on Oct. 14 through Oct. 16.

They will be holding their meetings at the Amway Conference Center. This is the 131st session. Grayling Chapter Number 83 will be sending four voting delegates. Several other members will also be in attendance.

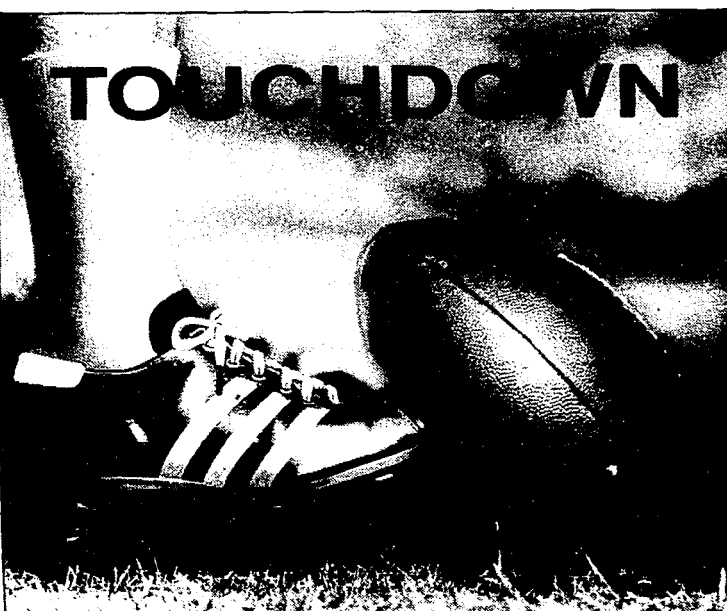
Grayling Chapter Number 83, a fraternal organization, has contributed locally to the elementary school's soup

labels and scarf and mitten fund, American Cancer Society, Salvation Army, Christian Help Center and a educational scholarship.

By supporting its Every Member Project, they are able to help the members in need. The local order also supports the beauty shop in the Masonic Home at Alma, where the ladies, who are residents of the home are able to get their hair done.

The Grayling Chapter will hold an open installation of officers on Oct. 22, at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple. Potluck supper will start at 6 p.m.

Church Directory



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1 Corinthians
11:17-34
Monday
Isaiah
2:1-4
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Isaiah
2:5-22
Wednesday
Isaiah
3:1-15
Thursday
Isaiah
5:8-30
Friday
Isaiah
32:1-20
Saturday
Isaiah
42:1-9

The game is almost over, and this is the critical moment. The final score hangs on what Ken does with that ball. If he is successful, he will be the hero of the day. If he isn't, people may not entirely blame him, but even so...

Throughout our lives, even if we never touch a football, we cannot avoid coming up against moments when the "final score" depends upon our actions.

Decision-making is never easy, especially when the decision involves others as well as ourselves, and major decisions almost always do. This is when we need a place to go where we can empty our hearts and souls and let the peace and understanding which is God's flow into us...that place is the church.

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First Baptist Church of Frederic
Pastor Dale Hammond
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 p.m.

Christian Science Society
209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord
Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
April through October
2nd Wednesday 8 p.m.

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor J. Douglas Paterson
400 Michigan Ave.
(temporarily being held at AuSable Primary School)
348-2974
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
Sunday School 11:15 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship 12 noon
Bible Study (Wed.) 10 a.m.

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor David Stramel
Phone 348-4445
Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).
Church Service 9:30 a.m.
Sabbath School 10:30 a.m.
Prayer Meeting Tues 7 p.m.

Grayling Assembly of God
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Church 348-8885 • Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children 7 p.m.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President Larry A. Cook
600 North Elm St., Gaylord
Sacrament 10 a.m.
Sunday School 11 a.m.
Primary 11 a.m.
Priesthood 12 noon
Relief Society 12 noon

Heritage Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.
1/4 mile west of I-75
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

St. John Evangelical Lutheran (ELCA)
Bible School 9:15 a.m.
Adult Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Nursery is available

Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Pastor Patricia Fowler
North Down River Rd. at 1030 Glenn Rd.
P.O. Box 1188
Church School 9:45 a.m.
Preaching 11 a.m.
Midweek Service Prayer 7 p.m.

Gaylord Christian Reformed
Rev. V. Schaap
415 Ohio North, Gaylord
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community
Robert W. Nally, J.V., Pastor
700-708 Peninsular - 348-7657
Sabbath Eucharist

Saturday Vigil 7 p.m.
Sunday Mass 8 a.m.
Family Mass 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Family Bible Study/Sharing 9:30 a.m.
Daily Masses
Wednesday & 1st, 3rd & 5th Friday 8:30 a.m.

Daily Worship
Sacrament of Reconciliation, one hour prior to Saturday Vigil Mass, or by appt.

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor Patty Petrie, 348-8314
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
M-72 West
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Mid-Week Services
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed) 7 p.m.

Church of Christ
Larry Turner, Minister
Old US 27 at Skyline Rd.
275-4388
Sunday Classes 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:15 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday
Mid-week Bible Study 7 p.m.

Bear Lake Christian
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Sunday Service 10 a.m.

The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message
Pastor Dohn E. Weaver
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Amateur radio testing to take place on Oct. 15 at main lodge of Hanson Hills

The Amateur Radio Association of Hanson Hills will conduct Amateur Radio "Ham" examinations on Wednesday, Oct. 15, 7 p.m., at the main lodge at Hanson Hills Recreation Area in Grayling. Tests will be conducted for all amateur radio licenses—novice, technician, technician plus, general, advanced and extra classes.

These tests are administered by certified examiners. The test fee, specified by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), is \$6.25.

Amateur Radio Operators in the United States must be licensed by the FCC. "Hams" operate two-way radio equipment from their homes, cars and hand-held units called Handi Talkies (HTs). They communicate with other hams across town or around the world

on special sets of radio frequencies, or bands, that are set aside for amateur radio use. The amateur radio operators circle of friends is often worldwide.

The current six classes of amateur radio licenses allow operating frequency privileges in keeping with the level of accomplishment of each class. Hams communicate via voice, Morse code, television, and numerous computer-to-computer modes via digital radio signals. Radio signals are sent direct from station to station, relayed thought repeaters, or sometimes bounced off meteors or relayed through satellites orbiting the earth. Many of the current space shuttle astronauts are amateur radio operators and communicate with other hams as they circle the globe.

Just about anyone can be a ham—

there are no age limits. Local hams are from teenagers to retired folks. Many people with disabilities find an access to the world in amateur radio and getting a ham radio license is easier than a person may think. The most popular license is called the "Codeless Technician", allowing voice operation on several bands, including the popular two-meter band, without Morse code requirement. Two written exams with a total of 65 questions must be passed for the technician license. A novice (beginners') license requires passing a 35-question written exam on basic electronic theory and FCC rules and regulations, along with copying and sending Morse code at five words per minute.

The Amateur Radio Association of Hanson Hills offers a free six-month membership to all who pass their

exams at these testing sessions. Meetings are held monthly and all examination personnel are members of this organization.

Pre-registration would be appreciated, but walk-ins will be accepted. To register, or for additional information, call Ken Wright - W8CA at 517-348-8022 days, 517-348-2597 evenings, or e-mail at w8ca@w8ca.com.

See the Amateur Radio Association of Hanson Hills on the Internet at: <http://www.w8ca.com/arahh.html>

MILITARY NEWS

Marine Staff Sgt. John A. Jerome, whose wife, Shari, is the daughter of George Monk of Outing Place, Grayling, recently reported for duty with Marine Aviation Training Support Group, Naval Air Station, Lemoore, Calif.

Jerome's new assignment is an example of how Navy and Marine Corps men and women are assigned to ships, squadrons and shore commands around the world. Whether serving in the Persian Gulf near Iraq or in the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia, people like Jerome are making a difference as they work to improve their knowledge and skill as part of the most highly technical naval force in history.

The 1984 graduate of Alma High School, joined the Marine Corps in December 1983.

Air Force Airman Charles M. Kucharek has graduated from the pavement and equipment maintenance apprentice course at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo.

Students were taught the construction, maintenance, and repair of aircraft runways, roads, parking areas, and the operation of power tools and equipment.

Kucharek is the son of Michael J. and Wendy A. Kucharek of Grayling. He is a 1995 graduate of Grayling High School.



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REUNITED AFTER YEARS — Joe Palodichuk and Al Matkovich, who is known locally, were reunited after more than 50 years of not seeing each other. Palodichuk and Matkovich were good friends in the army, while in Washington. The two army soldiers were separated 53 years ago. Matkovich has been trying over recent years to locate his friend, but could never find him. Lee Regier of Roscommon, helped out by putting Matkovich's request on the Internet. They found Palodichuk lived in Wisconsin. Matkovich, who went bear hunting in Canada, drove to Wisconsin on his way back to the area. The two had a great reunion.

Kirtland to appeal area court's decision

Kirtland Community College plans to appeal a jury decision made late Monday night, Sept. 29, in the Roscommon County Circuit Court, regarding a law suit brought by Brent B. Barrett against the school for firing him in September, 1994.

Barrett, employed by the College during 1992-94 as Cultural Events Coordinator, claimed the College retaliated against him, violated his rights under the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA), and breached his employment contract.


The jury denied Barrett's claim regarding violations under the

FMLA. The jury upheld Barrett's other claims and voted to award him damages in the amount of \$99,960.

"Pending approval by the Board of Trustees, we plan to appeal the verdict to the Michigan Court of Appeals," said Kirtland's Director of Public Relations, Jerry Werle. "We feel the Court was wrong in various procedural matters and was very wrong in not allowing the jury to hear certain facts about Mr. Barrett's conduct during his employment at Kirtland; facts which justify the College's actions."

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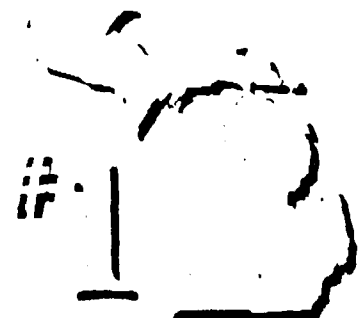
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Make a Difference Day is scheduled

Gov. John Engler has proclaimed Oct. 25 as Make a Difference Day.

To celebrate this day, the Volunteer Center at Kirtland Community College has kicked off drives to collect new children's shoes and socks, books for all ages, and stuffed bears. The drives will end on Oct. 25, with a community reception at Kirtland Community College from noon to 2 p.m.

When he issued his proclamation, Engler encouraged all Michigianians to become involved in Make a Difference Day, because "this day of service provides individuals an opportunity to give back to the community." Steven L. Berg, Director of the Volunteer Center, said, "Last year, over one million people around the country participated in Make a Difference Day activities."

Jaime Dugan is coordinating local Make a Difference Day activities.

"The Volunteer Center decided to coordinate these three drives, because they are an easy way for churches, clubs, businesses, and individuals to get involved." All materials collected from the drives will be donated to agencies in Ogemaw, Roscommon, Crawford, and Oscoda counties.

Gail Petril, volunteer coordinator for the Ogemaw County Family Independence Agency, knows that many children in the area did not have new shoes and socks for school.

"A new pair of shoes really makes a difference in a young person's life."

"The police and other agencies



will give stuffed bears to children who have suffered a traumatic event," said Janice Cherup of River House Shelter. "Bears are provided to supply that extra hug the child needs during trying times. The bear is for the child to keep. It is our way of saying hold on and be strong."

Bears are also given to young people whom have been the victims of an accident, fire, and so forth. Dugan said that any stuffed animals, besides bear, will be accepted and will make a difference to the children.

"Last year, we only collected adult books for Camp Lehman," explained Berg. "This year, we will be collect-

ing books for all ages. Camp Lehman will continue to benefit from this drive, but so will other agencies in the area."

If you would like to sponsor a drop-off site at a business or organization, a person should call the Volunteer Center at 517-275-5121 (ext. 335). Individuals may also call this number to find out the drop-off site nearest to them. The Volunteer Center has also created a Web site where details about Make a Difference Day will be posted. The address is <http://k2.kirtland.cc.mi.us/~voluntee/calendar/difference.html>.

HEALTHLINE

by Linda DeMarchis, M.A.

This column is presented as a public service to the community by District Health Department No. 1, which serves Wexford, Kalkaska, Crawford and Missaukee counties. If you have any questions you would like answered in this column, please send them to: Linda DeMarchis, M.A., or Carleen Hubbell, M.A., Health Educators, District Health Dept. No. 1, 401 Lake Street, Cadillac, MI 49601.

Q. Now that fall and winter seasons are approaching, I was wondering if I should get a flu shot. Can you give me some information on the flu vaccine and who should get it?

A. The influenza vaccine is available through your doctor or health department to prevent or minimize the severity of the flu and begins to protect you after one to two weeks. The flu usually strikes in epidemics beginning around December and can cause fever, chills, headache, cough, sore throat or muscle aches. It spreads when influenza viruses pass from an infected person to the nose or throat of others. Influenza can make people of any age ill. Most people are ill only a few days but some have a much more serious illness and may need to be hospitalized. Thousands of people die

each year from the flu or flu-related illnesses. Most deaths are in elderly people.

The viruses that cause influenza change often. Each year a new influenza vaccine is made using viruses that are thought to be most likely to come to the U.S.. This year the vaccines contain the following viruses: A/Johannesburg/82/96 (H1N1) A/Nanchang/93/95 (H3N2) b/Harbin/07/94

WHO SHOULD GET THE INFLUENZA VACCINE?

Any person at risk of getting a serious case of the flu or a complication should get the vaccine. This includes:

- All persons 65 years of age or older.
- Residents of long-term care facilities housing persons of any age with chronic medical conditions and their caregivers. Also caregivers of elderly people.
- Any child or adult, including pregnant women, who has a serious long-term health problem with heart disease, asthma, lung disease, anemia, kidney disease, metabolic disease such as diabetes in the past year had to see a doctor regularly or be admitted to a hospital.
- People who are less able to fight

infections because of: Infection with Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), treatment with drugs such as long-term steroids, cancer treatment with x-rays or drugs.

• Children and teenagers six months to 18 years of age on long-term aspirin treatment, who could develop Reye's syndrome which causes coma, liver damage, and death, if they catch influenza.

• Women who will be more than three month pregnant during the influenza season.

NOTE: Pregnant woman must get their flu shots from their family physician.

NOTE: Tell your doctor or nurse if you: have a serious allergy to eggs, ever had a serious allergic reaction or other problem after getting influenza vaccine, were ever paralyzed by Guillain-Barre Syndrome, or now have a moderate or severe illness.

If you have any doubts or special health problems, you should check with you doctor to find out if you should receive the vaccine.

Clinics are scheduled at the Health Department beginning in October. For more information on flu shots, ask your doctor or call the Health Department in your county.

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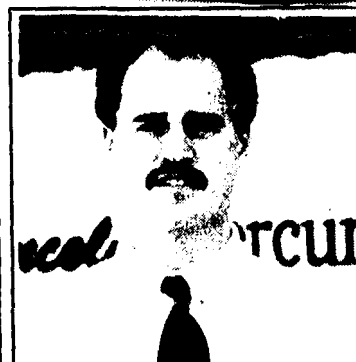
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Correction for Mercy Births

David, Lynne and Storm Shriver of Grayling, Skye Alex, Aug. 29, 1997.

Mounds of mums brighten fall days

If you're looking for fall color in the flower garden, look no further than mums. Mums (short for "Chrysanthemums") are perennial plants that have long been garden favorites, thanks to their variety in flower form, color and reliability, observes Mary McLellan, Master Gardener program coordinator at Michigan State University. Planted in a well-drained site with full sun, they can be counted on to come back year after year and produce mounds of fall flowers with minimal pampering.

Blooming mums can be planted either in late spring (then cut back after flowers fade) or in the fall for instant color, she notes. Those planted in the spring, either as flowering plants or green cuttings, should bloom in the fall.

Mums begin to flower about the time summer annuals are starting to fade away, McLellan points out. They offer a range of color from white through yellows and pinks to orange, bronze and dark red. Flower shapes

are described with words such as "daisy", "button", "cushion" and "spider" and sizes range from less than an inch to several inches.

Not all mums that people can buy in pot are hardy in the garden, McLellan cautions. Read labels or consult a greenhouse operator or garden store employees, if you want plants that will overwinter and grow again next year, she advises. Mums benefit from both summer and winter mulches, she notes. Summer mulches help discourage

weeds and retain soil moisture. Winter mulches applied after the weather has

turned consistently cold—keep the soil from freezing and thawing, which damage roots or even push plants right up out of the soil.

Mums are among the easiest of easy-care perennials. Once they're planted in a suitable spot, all they need are regular pinching in the spring and early summer to produce mounds of flowers in the fall and occasional dividing to relieve crowding.

Pinching is removing the last one-half to one inch of each growing tip every two weeks, beginning when new spring growth reaches six to eight inches in height and ending around July 15. Pinching tends to produce compact, mound-like plants. People need to stop pinching in mid-July to allow the plants to set flower buds for their fall display, she notes. Plants that aren't pinched at all tend to develop tall weak stems and produce few flowers.

Dividing plants every two or three years reduces crowding, which can contribute to foliage disease development and provides new plants for the garden. Divide plants in the spring after new growth has begun and after the average date of the last killing frost. Lift plants from the soil carefully, wash some of the soil off the roots, and separate the small new plants, each with its own roots, from the parent plant. For best results, separate the plants carefully, replant the small plants and discard the old ones.

Space plants about two to two-and-a-half feet apart for good air circulation. This is important in preventing the development of fungal diseases, which thrive on wet foliage.

Term limits to affect House membership

by Jotham Tausig
Capital News Service

For the first time in Michigan's history, six-year term limits will affect next year's state House elections.

With fully two-thirds of the 110-member House impacted by term limits this coming election, legislators in both parties are concerned.

In an interview with Capital News Service, House Speaker Curtis Hertel (D-Detroit) said, "Term limits are impossible."

"It's a bad idea, the bureaucracy gets stronger, the House will become the farm system for the Senate," Hertel said. "The lobby community will also gain strength."

But it is unclear if this will happen, according to David Rohde, a professor of political science at Michigan State University.

"Michigan is one of the first states where this (enactment of term limits) will happen," Rohde said. "There is the potential for a transfer of power from the Legislature elsewhere."

House Minority Leader Kenneth Sikkema said, "Term limits clearly make it harder to pursue public policy issues. A six-year limit is too short to be an effective legislature. We should adapt it to 10 or 12 years."

"A six-year limit is better than no limit at all," said Rep. Allen Lowe (R-Grayling). "I wanted 10 or 12 years, but I got six. It will work fine and not

have the detrimental effect that everyone is predicting. There is a feeling that legislators are special, but they are not."

"Voters are too stupid to decide who they want. Term limits are stupid," said Pat Gagliardi (D-Drummond Island). "It's bad for the system and the public, but it was voted in, so we will have to live with it. We're professionals, so we'll see how it goes."

With so many seats up for grabs in the next election, there's talk that several spouses of term-limited incumbents will run.

"Experience is valuable," said Gagliardi, the House Democratic floor leader. "A number of spouses would make good legislators, they've been involved in government."

The house minority leader agrees.

"Many spouses are deeply involved with political and policy matters," Sikkema (R-Grandville) said. "It's not an attempt to get around term limits."

But some representatives believe otherwise.

"It's not about public policy," Lowe said, "but it is pension hunting and name recognition. It's certainly a way to edge around term limits."

And Rep. Michael Prusi (D-Ishpeming) said, "It needs to be measured on a case-by-case basis, and I hope the voters judge candidates by

issues, not automatically assume that because they are married to a legislator, that they are being controlled."

Apart from term limits, it's not unusual for spouses to succeed each other. For example, Maria Carl is seeking the Senate seat of her late husband Doug Carl (R-Macomb Twp).

In addition, Rep. Sue Rocca (R-Sterling Heights) holds the House seat formerly filled by her husband Sal Rocca.

Because of the potential for spousal candidates, several lawmakers believe that voters took the easy way out by creating term limits.

"By forcing out members based on a calendar, we lose legislative memory," Prusi said. "Newly elected reps. must then turn more to lobbyists, staff and bureaucracy for guidance."

Hertel agrees: "The bureaucracy gets stronger, and the Senate will gradually become the more educated, informed and politically astute body. Lobbyists will have more ability to impact procedure with less seasoned people."

"It's a break in the continuity of leadership," Prusi said, "it will have a negative impact on rural areas, such as the U.P."

But term limits seem redundant to long-standing members of the House. "We already have term limits," said Hertel. "They're called elections."



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Weekly Update

This past week's weather has been more like summer than October. The fishermen have been out in force, with some good catches of nice perch coming from Lake Margrethe, also some good walleyes. This is always a good time of year to fish but, we are all too busy hunting. Which by the way has been very good with the bow hunters seeing lots of deer, some of them are nice bucks!! This will get better as time goes by.

The bird hunter's are seeing lots of grouse and some woodcock. Plenty of shooting but, not much hitting.

Waterfowl season opened last Saturday and there were quite a few hunters out and a fair amount of shooting. Its still early for this too.

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Michigan's color show nears peak

(Travel Michigan periodically updates the fall-color season. This is the report for last week — the week of October 1).

The best fall-color viewing in Michigan's Upper Peninsula is expected through the remainder of this week.

Upper Peninsula state parks report that color is peaking or expected to peak this weekend near Calumet, Ontonagon, Crystal Falls, Ishpeming, Manistique, Tahquamenon Falls, Newberry and St. Ignace. Marquette County reports 90 percent color development in the western reaches of the county, with areas near the Lake Superior shoreline reporting 40 to 55 percent development.

Look for best conditions inland, with color development delayed slightly near the Great Lakes, including Cedar River, where development is at 60 percent. The purples and reds of ashes and maples are brilliant in most areas.

In the northern Lower Peninsula, fall color is reported at 60 to 70 percent near Cadillac and Gaylord, and 40 to 50 percent near Tawas City, Bay City, Grayling, and along I-75 and US-27 near Roscommon and Houghton Lake.

Color development is rated at about 30 percent near Harrison, Rose City, Petoskey, Rogers City, Alpena and Mackinaw City; and only 5 to 10 percent near Frankfort and Boyne City. Northern Lower Peninsula color is expected to peak in about 10 days.

Southern Lower Michigan is experiencing 5 to 10 percent color development near Ludington, Caseville and Port Austin; and 30 percent near Muskegon. Holland reports color development at 50 percent. Peak color is expected in one to two weeks.

Across the southern tier of Michigan counties, color is reported at 20 percent near Milford and Tipton, 10 percent near Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo, and 5 percent near St. Joseph, Holly and Port Huron. Peak color is not expected for at least two weeks in most of these areas.

In general, leaves will turn color later near warmer lake waters.

For a recorded message on Michigan fall-color conditions, travelers may call (800) MI-4-FALL, 24 hours a day. Information is updated weekly during the fall-color season.

Changes made to tourism industry

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States thinking about Michigan as a tourist destination.

The main focus of Travel Michigan is to do just that — get people thinking about Michigan and coming to Michigan, Czuba said.

"We have been told by the many area visitors' councils that they want us to keep visitors inside the Michigan borders, and then they will attempt to get them into their specific area," Czuba said. "So we focus our initiatives on getting people into the borders."

The major promotion of the "Great Lakes, Great Times" is four major areas. Czuba said the tourism industry focuses on Detroit, Chicago, Minnesota and Cleveland to bring in tourists. If inquiries are made about specific areas, then Travel Michigan officials refer the person to the specific area visitors' councils.

In addition to the change in promotion, one of the important issue that Travel Michigan is observing is the proposed legislation to require schools to start school after Labor Day. Czuba said that is the number one issue he is hearing from the tourism industry.

Due to its importance to tourism, Travel Michigan contacted each of Michigan's school districts to find out when they start the school year.

The results show that 83 percent of Michigan's schools currently start before Labor Day.

For the second-largest industry in Michigan — Tourism — this is a big issue, Czuba said. By rearranging the school year and starting after Labor Day, the tourism industry would be positively affected.

July and August days can not be replaced for the tourism industry, Czuba said. The additional week of tourism with all schools starting after Labor Day would be great. With schools starting before Labor Day, most families are unable to plan and take one last summer vacation.



LIBRARY DONATION -- A check was presented from the Milltown Follies to the Crawford County Library. Milltown Follies charter members Betty Price, left, and Delphine Nowaczyk, right, give the check to Crawford County Library Director Tracy Compton, middle.

Beaver Creek looks to solve trash-removal problem

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were \$10,622.52 plus wages. The same figures for June 30, 1997 are \$25,343.46 plus \$5,100 in wages.

The current tax levied by the township for total operation of Beaver Creek Township services provides an annual income of approximately \$58,000. Based on the last fiscal year's figures, nearly \$31,000 of this money was spent on current trash removal.

Due to the problems Beaver Creek Township faces, the board decided to have a survey done on 24 townships in a 12-county region covering northern Michigan. The selected communities have a similar size and population to that of Beaver Creek.

Out of the 24 townships who were surveyed, 17 have curbside pick up. In 12 of those townships, homeowners must make their own arrangements with a private contractor. Four of the private contractors charge by the bag — \$1.50 to \$2 per bag. Four of the townships are by special assessment — \$50 to \$90 per year on improved properties. Bag limits in the special assessment townships are only five or six.

Six of the 24 townships surveyed have transfer sites like Beaver Creek Township currently has. Three of the townships issue free stickers, one charges \$30 per year and one mails a permit with the tax bill. One of the townships charges two mills on real

property for the service. Three charge for bags, and one charges 50 cents and says it does not cover the cost. One sells tickets, and one charges \$1 for 33-gallon bags or \$2 if larger bags are used.

Based on the survey and discussion by the board members, many suggestions have been made. One of the suggestions was to close the transfer site and let each resident handle their own trash removal. Township Trustee Kathleen Mobarak pointed out that this would mean a resident would have to deliver their trash to the landfill at their own expense. The landfill fees are \$1.50 per trash bag, with higher fees for larger items.

One of the possible problems with this type of change is the possible increase in illegal dumpings on state land. Currently, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) advises the fines for illegal dumping of refuse on state land to be as much as \$500 per occurrence, possible jail time and/or community service. The DNR also has the option of physically closing a two track or trail on which they find a trash-dumping problem.

The township board came up with other suggestions. One suggestion was for the township to sell their own bags, and only trash in those bags be accepted at the current township transfer site. Another suggestion was an annual flat fee to be charged to each household. Another possibility communicated was a \$20 to \$30 fee per sticker, paid annually, and a one percent administration fee added to the township tax bill to cover additional costs.

A motion was recently made and the following vote passed to go with a per bag charge. Talks at the board level continue to decide the exact way the new method will be run, including the bag size and the per bag fee. According to Mobarak, the plan is to have the new program implemented by Jan. 1, 1998.

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Snowmobiles may be able to reach local businesses

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proposal, we need an owner of the bridge designee."

Commissioner Dennis Long, with support for the motion by Commissioner Kathy Black, moved to send the Multi-purpose Trail Grant Proposal to corporate council, requesting that the Crawford County Board of Commissioners take ownership of the bridge. The decision to accept this mandate, subject to council's approval, was unanimous.

The idea of a City of Grayling connector link to the other existing trails took root in the winter of 1995, and via initial coordinating efforts of the chamber, experimental legislation was passed to permit a snowmobile trail be constructed from Gaylord to Fredric to Grayling in late 1996. Completion of a safe and satisfactory connector route through the City of Grayling to the south, however, has remained — until now — illusive and just out of reach.

Past opposition has been directed toward the issue of safety, but also

toward its ultimate location. If such a trail were indeed constructed, Meyer's original statement was "that while city ordinances allow snowmobile traffic on most streets, there is no contiguous route and a street improvement program has made many routes impractical."

And, to be effective, a proposed route would require it pass by or near gas stations, motels and other services such as food establishments, as it progressed parallel to the business district. As a consequence, of course, automobile traffic, snowmobile traffic and icy road conditions would necessarily mix, but the current proposed routing of the trail has been configured to eliminate most of the congestion.

Lynn Porritt-McConnell, current chamber director, agrees that the route was selected very carefully. "As a snowmobile owner and rider, I'm interested in seeing that visitors and snowmobile owners get into the community safely. And as chamber director, it's my goal to see that visitors

to the area are able to support our businesses by getting into the city both safely and legally."

Another inhibiting factor in the "connector route" process has been the cost of a new bridge across the AuSable River, which runs through the middle of the city. In reviewing the proposal, the fact that the Michigan National Guard is listed as the "Erector", might indicate their contribution "in kind" would eliminate a heavy burden required for manpower and serve to lessen the financial impact to the community.

At a total cost of \$122,000, the bridge portion of the project would be \$63,800 for materials to construct abutments, approaches and the superstructure itself. The remaining \$58,200 has been assigned to labor, including design and contingencies.

Howard Haselschwardt, P.E., of Northwest Design Group, Inc. of Charlevoix, has extensive design and engineering experience in timber bridges. Great Northern Lumber of Michigan, Plymouth, are the fabricators of the structure, and Forest Service Coordinator Steve Bratkovich of St. Paul, Minn., will orchestrate the grant process.

Other active participants are the AuSable Valley Snowmobile Club, Grayling Rotary Club, Huron Pines Resource, Conservation & Development Area Council, City of Grayling, County of Crawford, Fredric Township, Grayling Township, Lake State Railroad, MDOT, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and the Michigan National Guard.

Audience members agree with list of high school needs

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The most important need which was decided on was the heating and ventilating system replacement. The board members said the system is as old as the high school, which was built in 1972. Board member Jim McMillan said that a poll taken last winter of the temperature in the classrooms showed that one classroom was at 62 degrees while another was at 81 degrees. The outdated technology will not allow the control of the temperature in the classrooms.

Other needs discussed were roof replacement, eight additional class-

rooms, media center space, a new cafeteria and kitchen, language lab addition, replacement of some loose furnishings and a new gymnasium.

One of the students made the comment that one of the problems bond issues have had in the past is the people in the district who don't have children or grandchildren in school. Board member Karl Schreiner said his response to that is to tell those people that, "someone paid for your education and now it is your turn to pay for the next generation's education."

DEQ plans public meeting

Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) officials will be in Mount Pleasant Monday, Oct. 27 to discuss general environmental issues with the public.

This is the 10th in a series of statewide public meetings conducted by DEQ Director Russell Harding and his key management staff. The meeting is 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. in the Bovee University Center Auditorium on Preston Street at Central Michigan University.

"There's no substitute for direct public input," Harding said. "Public servants who shape or execute policy decisions must hear firsthand what works and what doesn't. The best way to stay in touch is by getting out of Lansing and into local communities. We want to listen, not lecture. That's what this meeting is all about."

People wishing to speak will be asked to fill out a card upon arrival. Individuals then have five minutes to address the DEQ panel with questions or statements, though more time may

be granted once everyone has had a chance to speak. Written testimony also will be accepted.

"My staff and I are committed to keeping the public fully involved in discussions pertaining to Michigan's environment," Harding said. "We're here to serve."

This is just one of many ways DEQ is reaching out to the public and regulated community. Harding pointed out that the department conducts informational forums and public hearings on specific issues throughout Michigan. It also publishes a calendar listing pending permit decisions and DEQ staff contacts. The department uses the Internet to enhance public access information through its home page address at <http://www.deq.state.mi.us>. In addition, the DEQ maintains an outreach program through its Environmental Assistance Division, which can be contacted at 1-800-662-9278.

Other public meetings are being planned for the coming months.

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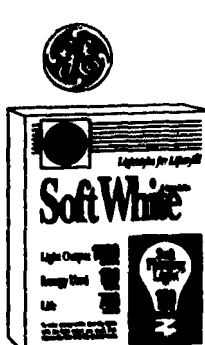
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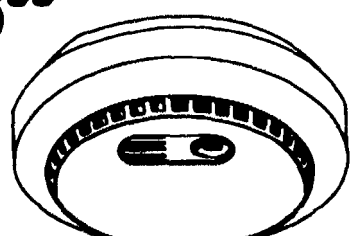
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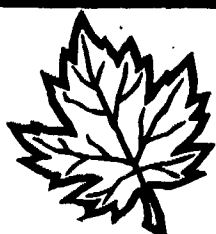
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BUILDING AND ZONING — The Crawford County Building & Zoning Department consists of, from left: Director Joseph Duran, Irene Gildner, Pamela Roshy and Bruce Leonard.

Building and Zoning: A department undivided

by Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

The building and zoning department for the county has always experienced a moderate to heavy workload. But not until the early 1990's did this increasing volume begin to burst through and become unmanageable for the small staff tending the affairs of that office.

In 1994, Irene Gildner, then a County Clerk's office employee, was given an opportunity to come into this department and meet its growing snarl of paperwork. Her words surprisingly were - "I jumped at it!"

She's been in Building and Zoning ever since, and was recently promoted to Office Manager. As a licensed Plan Reviewer and DNR/DEQ agent for Soil and Sedimentation Control, her duties extend into areas such as writing building permits, keeping the books for the department, and working with the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals. She also issues new addresses on vacant property using the Consumers Power Company grid system—Emergency 911 is dependent upon this same grid system.

Gildner, also a licensed builder, had been in the County Treasurer's office then the County Clerk's office, but entering into building and trades was something she admitted she was anxious to "sink my teeth into. We took one area at a time and began to organize it. My overtime was quite extreme." Her goal for mid-September of this year is to fully computerize the permit system.

Joe Duran, present Director of Building and Zoning "saw how the previous workload was when I came into the office to apply for a permit myself I'd recently purchased a home here, and I found myself volunteering to come in and help them."

Duran was then the Assistant Building Inspector for Rose Township in Oakland County. When his fortunes changed and allowed him to both live and work in this area, "I thought it was my dream come true." Duran finds the area "truly beautiful" and the people "most genuine."

Duran is licensed by the state as a Building Official, a Plan Reviewer, a Building Inspector and Mechanical Inspector. He is also licensed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and by the DNR/DEQ as a County Enforcement Agent for Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control. Duran is a recipient of President Regan's "Private Sector Initiative Commendation", an award given for "exemplary achievement in strengthening the nation's vocational educational programs." He received this commendation in October of 1984.

"Our Motto here is to give plenty of CPR — Courtesy - Professionalism - Respect. We've accomplished what you see here today because of teamwork. If it's my day to make the coffee and sharpen the pencils, then that's how it is. We put forth all of the effort we can to serve each other and the taxpayers of this county."

"I consider it a privilege to work with Joe," said Bruce Leonard, Assistant Zoning Administrator. "He knows the industry and I've learned a lot. I respect his capabilities and this office can provide a high degree of service, because of the teamwork and leadership he's provided all of us."

As a self-sustaining entity of county government, Building and Zoning is indeed unique and an unusual example of government at its most adept. The inspection fees in this office have not risen from the fee structure set out in January of 1993.

"There's a perception," Duran said, "that we've raised our fees, but we haven't. We've just learned to work together and to improve the application process. We're able to give better service because we've streamlined our way of doing business."

In April of 1997, Duran and his staff created a plan upon request, whereby the Building and Zoning department would consider doing the inspections for mechanical and plumbing permits for the entire county. The plan was so well thought out and the monetary returns to local government so attractive, the township which requested this plan be devised in the first place, immediately adopted it for their own use.

Taking credit for the remarkable turnaround of the department, however, is not the Duran style.

"Credit must be given to others," he claimed. "The County Board of Commissioners, as an example. They have allowed this office to organize and perform the services for the citizens. When I started here in 1996 (January), we began to make recommendations which the commissioners readily accepted, signed, and recognized as useful tools of operation. When we'd make a presentation, they would — through motion — adopt the program so we could better service the hardworking taxpayers and contractors."

In July of 1997, yet another valuable tool was added to Building and Zoning — Decriminalization of the Zoning Ordinances. In the past, breaking the nuisance violations like blight and junked automobiles was a criminal offense punishable by jail time and fines. Because the severity of being found guilty was considered by the courts as a criminal offense — a felony

— prosecuting under the junk ordinance was a low priority compared with the county's more serious offense.

Decriminalization of the ordinances, an area which Bruce Leonard now handles, allows easy dispatch of the case. "We can handle nuisance violations right out of this office. The offense is a misdemeanor and is now considered a civil infraction."

Leonard makes the initial on-site inspection based upon a complaint, then he issues the warning notice, which carries a \$50 fine. "If this notice is ignored, the next one costs the offending party \$100. After this, we can automatically put the case into the legal system."

Leonard is also responsible for zoning matters and zoning complaints, Zoning Board of Appeals investigations, working with the Planning Commission and the evaluation of lot splits. He is also licensed by the DNR/DEQ as an agent for Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control.

Another newly implemented program almost within grasp of the department is the full operation of a Geographical Information System — a computerized mapping strategy which could dramatically increase the revenues of the department. By scanning current information such as new roads on a plot plan, once marked accordingly, the computer creates new, updated maps for engineering and departmental use.

Pamela Roshy, admittedly "the new kid on the block" enjoys working in this busy environment. She handles the telephone, makes appointments, schedules inspections, and deals "with a lot of paperwork." Roshy is new to the area, coming here from Bay City. Rounding out the roster in this department are Joseph Seifert, Kevin Jamison, and Clyde Weiss, part-time electrical, building and mechanical/plumbing inspectors respectively.

Duran has added "full time electrical inspector" to his wish list for the future and would like to see the Crawford County Planning Commission begin asking the DNR to release some state land to the county for growth corridors. Once the County's Master Plan is officially in place, this action can be taken.

Recent projects for the department have been implementing the re-zoning of the South Branch Ranch for the Forest Dunes golf course/cluster home development, Fick & Sons new motel and service station at Four Mile Road and Old-27, and the Grayling Hotel, a no-frills development north of the Holiday Inn of Grayling.

It all starts with newspapers

We'll have to admit that when we heard the slogan for this year's National Newspaper Week and for a new national promotional campaign for the newspaper industry, we were a little confused.

"It all starts with newspapers." We asked the Newspaper Association of America (NAA), the sponsors of the national campaign, "What does it mean?" This was their reply:

"It all starts with newspapers" states that newspapers are the source — the beginning. It is open to numerous positive interpretations, including: education, reading and literacy all start with newspapers; newspapers are a point of origination for many news stories; and many people start their day and week with news from newspaper."

So we were right: it means whatever we want it to mean. But it got us to thinking. It does all start with newspapers. We thought of our own household while we were growing up and our household today. And we talked with other folks about their upbringing. You know what we found? It all starts with newspaper. Consider:

- Birth announcements are only published in newspapers. No other medium except newspapers announces to the world that we were born. So many of our lives started with newspapers.

- Many parents start their children's young lives with a baby crib and toys and later a first tricycle and swingset they found in the classified sections of the newspaper.

- Many of us started our working careers by finding a job raking leaves, babysitting or delivering newspapers we found in the "Help Wanted" section of the newspaper.

- Our love of reading and learning was first cultivated in the newspaper, copies of which were always available around our house.

- Our interest in current events and news was natural as we first learned about what was going on in our community from our newspaper.

- And who can forget our early love for words, our success in spelling bees and the good marks on homework assignments which involved clipping articles — all wrapped up in newspapers.

- Before planning for the weekend or a vacation we always seemed to first start with flipping through recent issues of our newspaper to see what was going on. From movie ads and concerts to museums and theme parks, we found ads and articles which helped us plan our leisure time.

- Most of the people we talked with said they first start with their newspaper before going to the polls to vote. And who goes to the grocery store without first looking at the foods ads in the newspaper?

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National Newspaper Week

A look back at Newspaper Week, 1974

When the revolutionary spirit seethed through the thirteen colonies, newspapermen were right in the thick of it, observing and shaping history in their own inimitable style. Although nearly two centuries separate us from the revolutionary times, the newspapers of the U.S. are still tuned to the pulsebeat of the nation and the world, recording current events and trends, keeping an eye on government

and advertising needed goods and services.

Newspaper Week, October 6-12, 1974, gives Americans a chance to reapraise this important guardian of a free society — the constitutionally guaranteed free press. Unlike many other countries the U.S. possesses a highly-vocal, inquisitive press. Whether or not you agree with its

philosophies or methods of news gathering, one point must be acknowledged. U.S. newspapers are "Freedom's watchdog." They must never be hobbled in their right of opinion expressions nor in their efforts to bring all the news to all the people. The demise of the free press in the U.S. would mean the end of American life as we know it.

Things to do using this newspaper to help your child to become a better reader

☐ SUN

Write an ad to sell your house using the classified section for examples.

☐ MON

Choose a story without a photo. Read the story and then draw your own photo to go with it.

☐ TUE

Look on the sports page for all the ways to say a team won or lost a game. Make a list of them.

☐ WED

On the front page of a newspaper, find the letters to your name, the date, the name of your town, and the newspaper's name.

☐ THURS

Find an ad that is interesting and cross out all the adjectives. Study it again, adding your adjectives.

☐ FRI

Write your own dialogue to a favorite comic strip, cartoon or photo in your newspaper.

☐ SAT

Ask your parents to read a news story aloud. Listen to the story and identify the 5 W's: Who? What? When? Where? Why?

The newspaper is a marvelous tool to not only help teach children to read, but to help them become better readers. And we all know that success in life starts with a solid foundation of reading.

They will become better writers and speakers as their vocabularies grow. They will become more caring young people as they experience the world around them in news sto-

ries. They will grasp numbers and math from grocery ads and baseball averages. They will become more responsible citizens by reading about governments in action.

You can make a difference. Read to children regularly. Encourage your child to read a newspaper everyday. Soon, they will be making up their own list of things to do with a newspaper each day.

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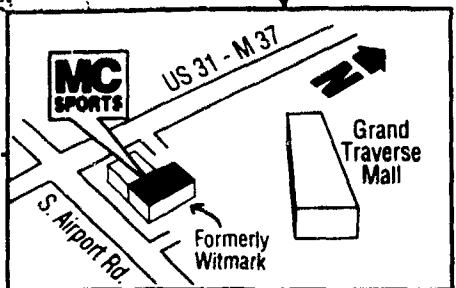
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DISTRIBUTION OF TREES -- Howard Johnson, left, and Bernie Fowler help distribute the Michigan White Cedar planting kits to residents. The trees are being planted along the AuSable River to protect the cold water fishery.



PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS -- Ed Parks, left, gives some planting instructions and some other information to a group of residents who purchased the tree planting kits. The residents listening were, from left: Alan Bersted, Virginia Williams and Jim Williams.

DOODLES FROM THE TALL-TIMBER

by Wendell L. Hoover, Interpretive historian

Memories are much like ghosts, they return wherever they have been, flitting in and out of your consciousness. It is difficult to really get a handle on either one, and when you do, there is always a wee bit of doubt. Not long ago I penned an article about the little town where I grew up, and those lines helped coax some long-forgotten memories out of hiding. Lake George down in Clare County was one of those little communities whose center could be overlooked if you blinked too fast.

There were two little stores in town, the one on the north side of the railroad tracks was owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Seats, who also served as masters of the post office. If memory serves me correctly, there was a gas pump out in front when all you needed was one type of gas and that had lead in it. While the mail was being sorted and shoved into all those individual boxes, it was a time for a number of the towns residents to gather in the small outer lobby. Lobby isn't quite the

right term, because it was a room no more than 8 by 12 feet (probably smaller). Like any social gathering of the day (1947 to the mid-1950s), it was a time to discuss the weather, if the fish were biting, or who had got their deer, how cold it was or how deep the snow. If you as a kid tucked yourself back in the corner and kept quiet, there were kinds of juicy tidbits to hear. Mr. and Mrs. Seats sold the usual items to be found in the stores of the day, but I remember a jar of pickled baloney and at least a part of a big, round yellow cheese.

Across the tracks to the south from the post office was the Ann Arbor Railroad depot. Mrs. Borst, a widow if I remember correctly, took care of the depot. She sold tickets to the occasional passenger, made sure any incoming or out-going freight was properly taken care and watched we kids like a hawk. She would not allow us to stand on the platform when a

freight train roared though, but she did not either. There were times (seldom) when some loose object removed itself from the train, striking the depot. When the morning and afternoon passenger trains still delivered the mail, Mrs. Borst was responsible for retrieving the sacks and taking them to the post office and she was responsible for seeing that out-going mail was given to the men who sorted the mail in the mail car. When the train went through, you could see the men at work in the railroad car swaying to its movement. I can still hear in my memory the click of the wheels on the joints between the rails and still see how flat a penny became, after being run over by a big steam engine and 190 freight cars, and Mrs. Borst is still there shooing us kids away from the tracks to the safety of a nearby store porch.

When it is all said and done, I guess there are some memories and ghosts that we need to have around.

Tree seedlings distributed

Sixty area residents have planted 1,000 young cedar seedlings over the past week in an effort to preserve and protect the cold water fishery of the AuSable River and improve the scenic beauty of the entire AuSable River watershed.

From Lovells to Roscommon, from Grayling to Luzerne — cedar seedlings were planted by local river property owners to help maintain the delicate balance of the river's ecological system.

The Michigan White Cedars along the river's banks provide needed shade to maintain the cold water fishery of the AuSable River. The presence of the cedar sweepers at the water line provides protection for the fish, increases the amount of large woody debris in the water, as well as provides for the preservation of the river bank.

There is virtually no natural regeneration of Michigan White Cedars along the AuSable River System, due to the tremendous deer populations. Many river property owners have long recognized the complete absence of any young cedars in the area. They have attempted to plant replacement cedar seedlings only to have the deer and hares eat them again.

Recognizing that this problem exists and a solution needed to be found, volunteer members of the AuSable River System Property Owners Association (ARSPOA) pre-packaged Michigan White Cedar seedlings into a "planting kit". Included in this planting kit were: 10 Michigan White Cedar seedlings, protective fencing material, wooden stakes, ties to secure fence, and complete planting instructions. Committee members included Bill Halliday, Bernie Fowler, Brian Benjamin, Bill Kessel, Ed Parks, and Howard N. Johnson.

Local river property owners purchased all the seedlings that were available for the project this year. Many local businesses helped with the project.

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A roll-over accident in Crawford County on Sunday, Oct. 5, resulted in a passenger being airlifted to Traverse City for medical treatment.

The passenger from the vehicle in the one-vehicle accident was transported by North Flight Air Service, due to a head injury sustained in the incident. The accident took place on North Down River Road, about eight miles east of Grayling.

The driver of the vehicle, whose name was being withheld, was placed under arrest for operating a vehicle under the influence of liquor.

Officers from the Crawford County Sheriff Department and North Flight EMS out of the Grayling station were sent to the reported roll-over accident. The Grayling City and Township Fire Department rescue units were also sent to the scene.

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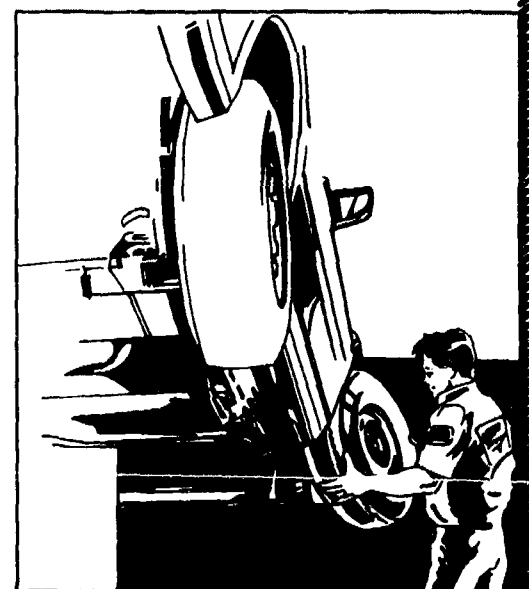
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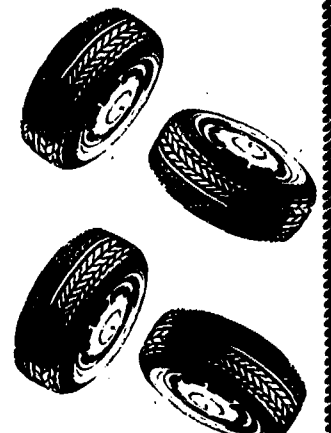
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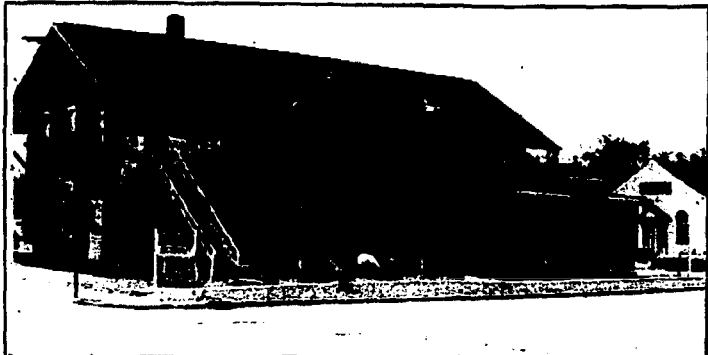
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ICE CREAM CELEBRATED--All of the AuSable Primary first-grade students gathered to celebrate the birthday of the ice cream cone on Sept. 22. Each class graphed their favorite flavor in the morning, then gathered to test their choice in the afternoon. Some of the students enjoying their ice cream are: Mykel Revord, Sean Hernandez, Bethany Cornell, Stephanie Jackson, Ariel Lynch and Andrew Mitchell.

CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

by Tracie Compton

New memorials at the Crawford County Library are: "Great people of the 20th century" for Richard Good, and "Trout Fisher's Almanac" for William Moore, donated by Bill and Gloria Kraus.

Jack and Dorothy McClain donated "Mother and Daughters" for Lois (Pete) Bennett and "Girls and women of the 19th century" for Vivian Dawson Dunham.

For Jaclyn Ruddy, "American Women in World War I" was donated by Rose Duley-Gleason, and Norm and Shirley Schmooch donated the "Big Book of Nature Projects."

For Donald Jansen, "Car-A-Drama of the American Workplace" was donated by Norm and Shirley Schmooch, "Smithsonian's Great Battles and Battlefields of the Civil War" was donated by Fick and Sons, and "Mighty Eighth Air War in Europe" by Whitey and Thelma Madsen.

For Ken Wyman, Don and Joanne Ferguson donated "Op-center Acts of War," Whitey and Thelma Madsen donated "Discover Nature in Rocks," For Col. Harold Clingensmith, Whitey and Thelma Madsen donated "Boys and Bandits. The Making of a Fighter Pilot."

For Norm Feldhauser, Scott and Dawn Feldhauser donated "Alligators--Prehistoric Presence in the American Landscape," John and Evelyn Keir and family donated "A Soldier's Life." Bill and Gloria Kraus donated the "Cambridge Illustrated History of Astronomy," Whitey and Thelma Madsen donated "Family Travels Around the World in 30 or So Days," and Jack and Dorothy McClain donated "John Wayne's America."

For Al Kesteloot, Bob and Dolores Buell donated "Ulysses S. Grant," and Cornell Insurance and Real Estate donated "Among Grizzlies."

For John Kucharek, Norm and Shirley Schmooch donated "Memories of the Mick" and Cornell Insurance and Real Estate donated "Civil War Journal."

For Katharine Retzlaff, Doug and Debbie Simons donated "Great Grilling Cookbook."

For Neil Huntington, Mary Jane Knibbs donated "Inside the Titanic."

Hours at the Crawford County Library Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; and Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Yearbook staff needs photos

The Grayling High School SAGA yearbook staff needs senior pictures from all the members of the Class of 1998.

The deadline for turning in senior pictures for publication in the 1998 SAGA yearbook is Friday, Oct. 31--Halloween.

The yearbook staff needs two wallet-size photos that are color, vertical, head-and-shoulders poses with plain backgrounds.

Photos can be dropped off in Room 13 at the high school.

In order to meet the Oct. 31 deadline, seniors who haven't had their photos taken yet must make appointments with professional photographers immediately.

All freshmen, sophomores and juniors should have had their photos taken in school recently by Life Touch Studios. If they did not, there will still be an opportunity when Life Touch returns to do re-takes.

Even if students do not want to purchase picture packets, they should have their photos taken -- at no cost -- in order to be included in the '98 yearbook.

The 1997 SAGA, "Out of Step," should be delivered from the printing plant later this month. When the '97 yearbooks arrive, announcements will be placed in The Avalanche, so graduates know they can pick up their copies at the high school.

GOP reps have Internet web site for information

The Republican caucus of the Michigan House of Representatives now offers legislative information and news reports at its Internet web site.

"The Internet is changing the way the world communicates," said State Rep. Allen Lowe (R-Grayling). "If used wisely, it has enormous potential. As the father of five children, I want families throughout Michigan to have quick access to free and accurate information."

The web site offers breaking news stories from the Capitol, background material on House Republican task forces and details on legislative activities across Michigan. The statewide events are found alphabetically by community or topic.

"We want to stay on the cutting edge, so the site is updated every

weekday," Lowe said. "I encourage northern Michigan residents to take advantage of this excellent resource. An informed citizenry is crucial to the future of our state and country."

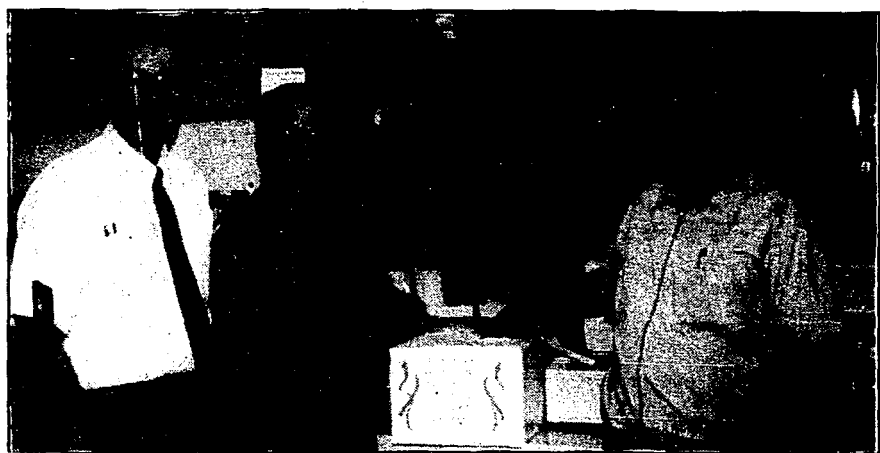
The Michigan House Republican Communications Section web site address is www.voyager.net/migop-house.

The Republican site also offers a link to www.MichiganLegislature.org. Constituents can obtain bills, resolutions, public acts, legislative calendars and other pertinent information at this location.

The 105th District lawmaker can be reached directly at his on-line address, www.wfn.net/alowe.

"These sites give constituents another way to follow the legislative agenda and communicate with their elected representatives on important issues," Lowe concluded.

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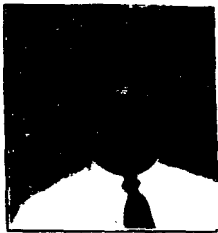
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Football Contest

Don Kernstock was the winner in week #6 of the football contest with a score of 15. Matt Keir also had 15 correct, but Kernstock's tiebreaker pick of 42 was closer to the actual tiebreaker score of 35. Following with 14 correct picks were Jerry Roman and Brenda Curtis. It was a pretty rough week, with so many upsets. Most people felt they didn't do very well, but don't feel bad, either did anyone else!

Last week's winners:

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| 1. Buffalo (35) | 10. N.Y. Jets |
| 2. Jacksonville | 11. San Diego |
| 3. N.Y. Giants | 12. New Orleans |
| 4. Miami | 13. Ohio St. |
| 5. Pittsburgh | 14. Texas A & M |
| 6. Green Bay | 15. Washington St. |
| 7. Philadelphia | 16. Akron |
| 8. Seattle | 17. Michigan St. |
| 9. Minnesota (39) | 18. Michigan (37) |

Overall leaders after week #4

- Donnie Forbes, 79
Rodney Adkison, 75
Harry Froun, 73
Mary Brown, 72
Larry Curtis, 71
Butch Brown, 70
Brenda Curtis, 70
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Tiebreaker 2 (total points scored in game 18) _____

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Avalanche Football Contest Official Rules

- Contestants must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Entry blanks without advertisers listed will be invalid.
- One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford Co. Avalanche employees are not eligible.
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NAFCU NEWS



Northland Area Federal Credit Union Celebrates Its 40th Anniversary!

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Woodward took best honors at
the Academy Awards. American
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and Perry Mason entertained
families on TV.

Favorite tunes played on the
airwaves included "April Love",
"Tammy", "All Shook Up", and
"Honeycomb".

Saddle shoes and bowling
were the fads. "Hippy", "cool"
and "a gas" were the sayings of
the day!

Celebrating 40 years...
Wham-Os frisbee, The Cat in
the Hat, actors Michelle Pfeiffer,
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NORTHLAND AREA CREDIT UNION EMPLOYEES--Front row (left to right), Wende Holcomb, Pamela Baker. Back row (left to right), Em Biltoft, Clara Gibbs, Diane Monks, Sarah Schenke.



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B&E spree hits area

Crawford County Sheriff Department officers apprehended three juveniles and one 17-year-old Grayling man allegedly involved in several breaking and enterings in the Grayling Township area.

This spree of breaking and enterings occurred over the last two weeks, according to sheriff's officials. The last time a spree of breaking and enterings occurred a township crime fighting association was started. That happened in the early part of 1997 in Lovells Township.

The breaking and enterings in Grayling Township that occurred recently happened at Hanson Hills, Timber Rapids Miniature Golf Course and two private residences on Ole Dam Road.

Warrants are being sought for breaking and entering with larceny charges through the Crawford County prosecutor's office. Some of the stolen items were recovered from the incidents.

Suspects' names are being withheld, pending arraignment in district court.

Second 'Trip' Planned for Travelogue Series

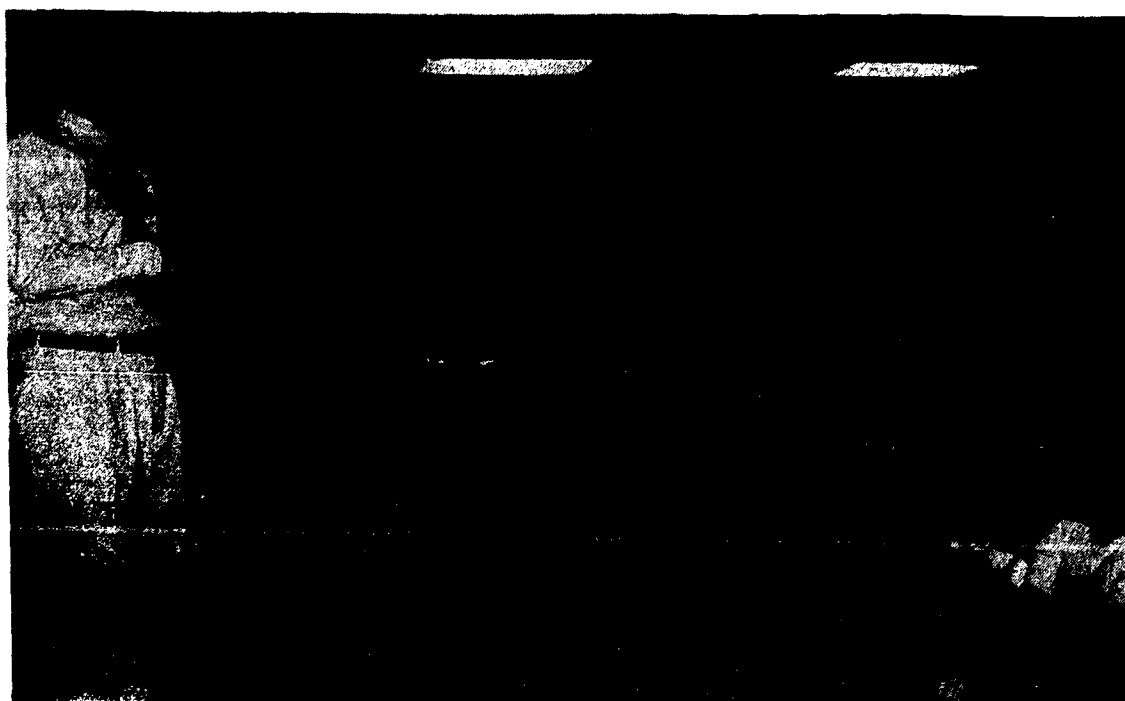
The second travelogue of the 1997-98 season is scheduled for Oct. 16, featuring Ken Lawrence and the first cruise/tour ever of its kind: a trip aboard a Russian polar vessel and weather ship.

"Crossing The Bering Sea" will take area residents across the Arctic Circle from Nome to the Russia Far East. Along the way, the audience will encounter life, both wild and tame, as they explore areas of the world not often thought about.

Lawrence began his career as a broadcaster while still in high school, and has for over 45 years been involved in news writing and reporting, hosting both radio and TV talk shows, and has covered all assignments from being a disc jockey to talk show host to anchorman.

His involvement with television began while the medium was in its fledgling stage, and he was the first person to invent the two-man, half-hour newscast, and the three-hour afternoon talk show with a wide variety of guests from movie stars to politicians to convicts.

Born in Toledo, Ohio, Lawrence moved with his family to Detroit at an early age, and has lived there most of



ENTERTAINING STUDENTS — The new Assistant band Director David Gott toots his own horn — Clarinet actually, for the fifth graders at Frederic Elementary. This is one of three visits made by Mr. Gott to demonstrate the different instruments played in Beginning Band.

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New medical chapter formed

A meeting of the Michigan Society of Medical Assistants (MSMA) was held at Kirtland Community College on Tuesday, Sept. 16. Many medical assistants attended from surrounding communities to organize a chapter of MSMA in this northern Michigan area.

The newly formed chapter will be known as the AuSable Area Chapter. Officers were elected and are: Janice Balcom, CMA, president; Phyllis Dale, RN, CMA, vice president; Peggy Gilbert, recording secretary;

and Carolyn Smock, treasurer.

Congratulations also was extended to Dale, who was recently awarded her certification from the American Association of Medical Assistants.

Meetings of the AuSable Area Chapter will be held on the second Tuesday of each month at Kirtland Community College. The next meeting will be Oct. 14 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 252 of the Administration Building. Anyone employed in the medical field is welcome to attend the meeting.



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Study targets reduction of car-deer crashes in state

Increasing motorist safety by keeping deer herds off Michigan highways to reduce car-deer crashes is the target of a study by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) beginning this fall.

Partnering with the Michigan State Police, Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP), MDOT will install nighttime deer reflectors this fall on a stretch of US-2/US-141 south of Crystal Falls in the state's western Upper Peninsula. Approximately two miles of highway will receive the reflectors, using a control section of two miles, directly adjacent to the test area. This test area was chosen, because it shows a proportionally high number of car-deer crashes for the volume of traffic.

Car-deer crashes were up significantly statewide in 1996 with over 68,000 reported, an increase over 1995 figures of 62,000. The size of the deer herd is up slightly and may be a factor in this rapid rise in crashes.

According to State Transportation Director Jim DeSana, "We are very pleased to partner with the Office of Highway Safety Planning in testing ways to improve safety for the motoring public. These efforts continue to demonstrate MDOT's commitment to provide the safest, highest quality transportation product possible."

Reflectors use oncoming car headlights to create a visual barrier, similar to a beam of light, to deter deer from the roadway.

Previous studies of deer reflectors, by a variety of road agencies, have varying results and did not utilize a control area. The control area is expected to help engineers determine the effectiveness of whether deer were deterred from crossing or merely diverted to another area to cross the highway.

Reporting all car-deer accidents in the test area is needed. Signs displaying a telephone number will be posted in both test and control areas, alerting drivers to report car-deer crashes. Data will be gathered, analyzed and results evaluated after a year.

According to OHSP records, the 68,000 car-deer crashes resulted in six deaths and 2,221 people injured last year.



DAY CARE TOUR — This group, the Helsel Group Day Care, took a tour of Pizza Hut recently. The group consists of (front, from left): Bionca Robledo, Kayla Crouch, Zachery Mack, Iva Haven, Hannah Haven, Jumpin James Sego, (back) Tanya Helsel, Jesse Uricek, Stacy Helsel, Sarah Sego, Adam Love, James Haven and Casey Helsel.

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Grayling Recreation Authority News

by Cindy Olson

Youth Flag Football-We had an excellent first season of flag football. We are looking forward to next year. Team standings at the end of the season are as follows:

- First: Bears 4-2
- Second: Eagles 3-3
- Third: Cardinals 3-3
- Fourth: Lions 2-4

Adult Flag Football-We are playing on Saturdays at 3 and 4 at the Crawford County Fairgrounds. We still have room for teams and individuals that are interested in playing. Call Joe Lehman at 348-2292.

Girls' Basketball 5th and 6th grades-This program has been postponed until January.

Boys' Basketball-Registrations have begun for boys' basketball. This program begins Nov. 22, and goes for seven weeks. Coach Rich Moffit and the boys' varsity basketball team will be coaching and refereeing this year.

Halloween Spookfest-Friday, Oct. 31 from 5:30-8 p.m. The Spookfest is recommended for children 12 years and younger. We will have a haunted house, games and snacks for everyone. We still need volunteers and donations of candy and decorations.

Sixth, Seventh and Eighth grade Halloween Party and Dance-Saturday Nov. 1 in the main lodge at Hanson Hills 7-10 p.m. DJ music. \$3 per person. Concessions will be open.

Ski swap weekend-Nov. 21 and 22. Bring your used skis on Friday night. The swap is from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Fred Bear Memorial Center.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: The world would be a better place if people showed as much patience as they do when they're waiting for a fish to bite.

Happenings at the center and announcements of things to come: Special announcement concerning flu shot. The Health Department will be giving flu shots on Oct. 3-10 and Oct. 17. You must call for an appointment (348-7800) and bring your card, either medicare part B or medicaid, otherwise the cost is \$8.

Center happenings: Commodities on Oct. 8 from 10 to 11 at the Free Methodist Church: Birthday dinner and white elephant auction on Oct. 8. BP's from 11 to noon on Oct. 9 and casino trip leaving at 9:30; Fredric Satellite on Oct. 10. Pantry bingo every Friday from 1-3 p.m. Share program sign-up on Oct. 13 from 10-2; Dance with Tina on Oct. 14 at 5:30; COA board meeting on Oct. 15 at 5:30; Lovells satellite at 11:30; Legal help at the center at 1:30 - all on Oct. 17. Special craft show and bake sale on Saturday, Oct. 18, from 9 to 4 at the center. (we will be serving munchies for those that get hungry shopping.)

Pancake brunch on Oct. 19 from 10 to 1.

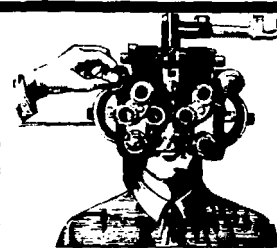
Stop by or give us a call if you have any questions, need help or just for fun (308 Lawndale - 348-7123 or toll free 1-888-355-4500) Remember, if your life isn't becoming to you...you should be coming to us.

Join us for meals; we serve at noon and 5 Monday thru Thursday and at noon only on Friday. Vegetable and fruit salad bar on Tuesday; Soup served on Monday and Wednesday and bread, juice and milk offered each meal. Please try to make a reservation if you can by calling 348-7123. Menus are subject to change without notice.

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- 9 - Meatloaf/Herbed Chicken
- 10 - Roast Beef/ no dinner
- 13 - Beef tips & noodles/ Chicken ala King
- 14 - Kielbasa & Kraut/ Italian round steak
- 15 - Baked Chicken/Roast Pork
- 16 - Beef Chop Suey/Ham Loaf
- 17 - Swiss Steak/ no dinner



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Mental health professionals from North Central Community Mental Health will offer local residents the opportunity to learn about the signs and symptoms of depression and to participate in a free screening as part of National Depression Screening Day, Thursday, Oct. 9.

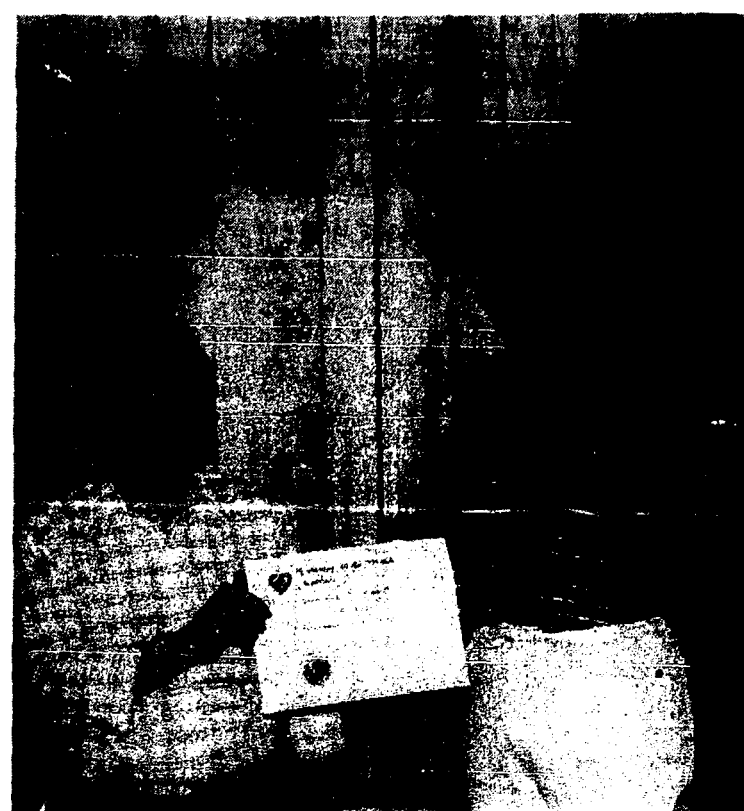
The free program will be held at the North Central Community Mental Health offices at 204

Meadows Drive in Grayling from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

National Depression Screening Day, held each year during Mental Illness Awareness Week, was developed by Harvard psychiatrist, Dr. Douglas Jacobs. Last year, more than 85,000 people attended screenings at 2,800 sites nationwide. National Depression Screening Day inaugurated the concept of screening for a mental illness, when it began seven years ago.

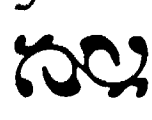
Participants at the North Central Community Mental Health / Mercy Hospital Depression Screening will hear a brief talk on the causes, symptoms, and treatments of depression followed by a short video. Individuals will complete an anonymous written screening test for depression and have the opportunity to discuss the results with a mental health professional.

Depression strikes more than 17 million Americans each year, according to figures from the National Institute of Mental Health. Fewer than half of them, however, actually seek treatment even though treatment can help 80 percent of those affected. Common symptoms of depression include feelings of hopelessness, worthlessness, restlessness and irritability, changes in sleep and appetite, loss of energy and thoughts of death or suicide.



SEPTEMBER'S VOLUNTEER -- The new Volunteer of the Month program through Kirtland Community College's Volunteer Center is underway. September's Volunteer of the Month for Crawford County is Bob Kelly, director of the ski patrol at Hanson Hills. Kelly and Hanson Hills Director Cindy Olson hold up the certificate. Olson nominated Kelly for the honor, due to his 14 years of volunteer service. Hanson Hills is always looking for volunteers like Kelly to help with the ski patrol.

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PUBLIC NOTICE SEASONAL ROADS - 97 FINAL

At the regular meeting of October 2, 1997, The Board of County Road Commissioners adopted the following roads as "Seasonal Roads".

FREDERIC TOWNSHIP

Batterson Rd (between Manistee and Howes Lake Road)
Beechwood Ln (between Twin Peaks Rd and Parkside Dr)
Bradford Dr (between Twin Peaks and Forest Hill)
Deward Rd (Mt. Frederic Rd South 1/2 mile)
Doonybrook (between Bradford Dr and Greenway)
Hazelwood Ln (between Twin Peaks Rd and Parkside Dr)
Howes Lake Rd (End of pavement N. to 1 mile S. of Batterson)
Lindenwood (between Foxcroft and Greenway)
Maple Forest (between Twin Peaks Rd and Parkside Dr)
Meadow Lark (between Bradford Dr and Greenway)
Mt. Frederic (between Kolka Creek and Manistee River Rd)
Parallel Trail (All)
Partridge (between Bradford Dr and Greenway)
Pollack Bridge Rd (between Howes Lake Rd and S. AuSable Trail)
Roxbury (between Bradford Dr and Greenway)
Twin Peaks Rd (between Parkside Dr and Maple Forest Rd)
Tower Hill (between Manistee and County Rd 612)
Winter Port (between Roxbury and Maple Forest Rd)

LOVELLS TOWNSHIP

Briggs Rd (between County Road 612 and the County Line)
Dyer Truck Trail (Grayling Twp Line E. to Martindale)
Indian Trail (between Walsh Rd and Meridian Rd)
Jones Lake Rd (between County Road 612 and Lewiston Grade Rd)
K.P. Truck Trail (between County Road 612 and Lonesome Lake Rd)
Key Phye Trail (between County Road 612 and the end)
Kinny Rd (3/4 mile North to end)
Lonesome Lake Rd (between County Road 612 and the County Line)
M.B. Extension (between County Road 612 and Walsh Rd)
Shupac Lake Rd. (1 mile N. of 612 to Jack Pine Plains Rd)
Shupac Trail (between Jackpine Plains Rd and the County Line)
Ski Hill Rd (1 mile W. of F97 to end)
Walsh Road (between Boondocks Rd and E. Townline Rd)
W. Big Creek Trail (612 N. to County Line)

MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP

Bear Lake Rd (3/4 mile N. of County Road 612 and the end)
Briggs Rd (between Calkers Rd and County Line)
Calkers Rd (between Sherman Rd and Briggs Rd)
Donnybrook (between Wayland Rd west and Twin Peaks Rd)
Dump Rd (between County Road 612 and the end)
Elmwood (ALL)
Feldhauser (between Roberts Rd and Peterson Rd)
Forest Hill (ALL)
Foxbury (ALL)
Greenway (Donnybrook to the end)
Maple Forest Rd (ALL)
Marker Rd (1 mile E. of Sherman Rd to Bear Lake Rd)
Meadowlark (ALL)
Partridge (ALL)
Peterson Rd (3/4 mile S. of 612 to the end)
Roberts Rd (between 1/4 mile S. of County Road 612 and Townline Rd)
Townline (Sherman Rd W. to Roberts Rd)
Wayland Rd (between Donnybrook and Greenway Rd)
White Rd (between Marker Rd and County Line)
Wick Rd (between County Road 612 and Townline Rd)
Winter Port (ALL)

SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP

Bell Top Lodge Rd (1/4 mile N. of Pere Cheney to 4 Mile)
Brave Trail (River Lake Rd to Camp Rd)
Brush Rd (M-18 to Brave Trail)
Camp Rd (M-18 West to Brave Trail)
Canoe Harbor (M72 to South Branch Rd)
Curleys Dr (Stephan East to 7 Mile)
Dry Lake Rd (M-18 to 502 (F-97))
Durant Castle Rd (7 Mile to Mason Tract Trail)
Gammey Creek Trail (Eato Trail to E. County Line)
E. Gobbler Trail (Stephan to Billman)
Gwilt Rd (Dry Lake Rd to South County Line)
Hall Rd (Forester Rd to M-18)
Hunt Rd (Camp Rd to Hunter Lake Rd)
Markle Rd (Old McMasters Bridge Rd E. to County Line)
Mason Tract Trail (South Branch Rd to Chase Bridge Rd)
McComber Trail (Sunrise to McMasters)
River Lake Rd (from M-18 to Hickey Creek Road)
Rock Cemetery Rd (M-18 West to end)
South Branch Rd (Ranch Road to Canoe Harbor)
Tee Pee Trail (River Lake Rd to South end)
Thayer Creek (Pere Cheney to Bell Top Lodge)
Willows Rd (1/4 mile N. of Pioneer to 1/4 S. Hickey Creek)

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP

Artillery Trail (ALL)
Buck E & W Truck Trail (1-1/2 miles W. of Stephan to Baldhill)
Camp Lavictore Rd (M93 to end)
Dollar Lake Rd (M72 E. to Pollack Bridge Rd)
Jones Lake Rd (1 mile N. of pavement to 612)
Ketchum Truck Trail (Bucks E & W Truck to North Down River Rd)
Lewiston Grade (Wilcox E. to Stephan Bridge Rd)
Pollack Bridge Rd (AuSable Trail W. to Dollar Lake Rd)
Roberts Rd (Lewiston Grade N. to 612, with exception 300' N & S of 93)
Rowe Trail (Richardson Rd W. to North Down River Rd)
School Section Trail (Barker Lake E. to Staley)
Stephan Bridge Rd (North Down River Rd N. to 612)
Vista Dr (Turnaround S. to Lewiston Grade)
Wakeley Bridge Rd (1 mile N. of North Down River Rd to 2 miles S. of 612)

BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP

Annis Pit Rd (Beaver Rd S. to Towerhill)
Billman Rd (Turnaround to Wilbur Lane)
Cemetery Xing Trail (7 Mile to E. Railroad Trail)
Desert Lane (Higgins Lake Rd E. to Oak Rd)
E. Rail Road Trail (5 Mile to Staley Lake Rd)
W. Gobbler Trail (Billman to Stephan)
Hunters Truck Trail (Military W. to 7 Mile)
King Rd (5 miles S. to 27)
Merrio Rd (7 Mile N. to 3/4 mile S. of 5 Mile)
Oak Rd (1 mile S. of 5 Mile to 27)
Pioneer Rd (Turnaround to West end)
Puffin Rd (S. County Line N. 4-1/4 miles)
Shepherds Trail (1-1/2 mile W. of 7 Mile to Billman)
Tower Hill Truck Trail (Military W. to 7 Mile)
Wilbur Lane (Staley Lake to Billman)

"Seasonal road" means a county road, or a portion thereof, which, during the months of November through April has minimal use by motor vehicles, does not provide sole access to a building which is used as a principal residence during the months of November through April, and is not normally maintained or snowplowed by the county road commission during the months of November through April. A county road which is designated as a seasonal road in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 51 of the Public Acts of 1951 and these roads may not be open to public travel during the months of November through April.

James Briney, Managing Director
For: Ray Swiercz, Chairman
Bill Gannon, Vice Chairman
Bob Nelson, Member

LEGAL ACTION

RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS Meeting held September 8, 1997

Meeting called to order by Mayor Golnick at 7:30 p.m. Members Present: Stevens, Golnick, Akers, Ruddy. Members Absent: Moshier. Also in Attendance: Jerry W. Morford, City Manager, Kay Ellen King, J.C. King, two Students, Norm Bancroft, D.J. Brown.

Moved by Stevens, supported by Ruddy that the minutes of the meeting of August 5, 1997 be approved as presented. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.
Citizens who wish to speak. None.
Communications were received and noted.
Letter from Kent Reynolds regarding Master Plan Public Hearing on September 16, 1997 at the Middle School Cafeteria.
July 1997 Finance Report.
June & July 1997 Fire Department Report.
Letter from Grayling Township regarding Recycling Center Open House on Monday, September 15, 1997.

Letter from Terry Wright regarding a Cemetery Meeting. Will be setting up a meeting shortly.

Letter from MDOT regarding office space.
Memo regarding November 4, 1997 City Council Election. There are four candidates running for two open seats. D.J. Brown, Jerry Hayes, Roger Moshier and Marilyn Palmer.
Old Business. None.
New Business.
*Moshier now present.

NEMCOG Invoice.
Moved by Stevens, supported by Ruddy that the City not join NEMCOG at this time. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Reports of City Manager.
Copy of article in Politics.
Thank you note from Moshier family regarding plant sent to the Trudy Wakeley funeral.

Reports of Council Members.
Mr. Moshier ask about the D.P.W. job position. There were 70 job applications will start interviewing this week.

Mr. Golnick ask about No Parking signs on Ogema Road from Peninsular to Chestnut. Mr. Morford is having a meeting with school officials on Tuesday.

Adjournment
Moved by Golnick, supported by Stevens that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.
Jerry W. Morford
City Manager & City Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN CIRCUIT COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD RE-NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE ON FORECLOSURE

Case No. 96-3995-CH (M)
RUSSELL A. BROWN and
MARY E. BROWN,
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MICHAEL RADLICK,

Defendant.

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This Notice is being reissued to correct a typographical error on the Notice of Sale of Real Estate on Foreclosure which was issued on July 31, 1997 in this matter.

Dated: August 18, 1997

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REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Grayling Township Board of Trustees will be accepting bids for the plowing of snow during the 1997-98 and 1998-99 winter seasons until 12 noon Friday, October 10th, 1997.

All bids must be for plowing snow at BOTH the Grayling Township Hall, located at 2090 Viking Way, and for the Grayling Township Recycling Center located on North Down River Road.

Bids must be based on keeping both these facilities open during normal business hours for each:

1. Business hours for the township hall are 8:30 am until 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.
2. Business hours for the recycling center are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 pm until 8 pm, and Saturdays from 9 am until 4 pm excluding holidays.

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and will be opened at the monthly board of trustees meeting scheduled at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, October 14, 1997. Unsealed and incomplete bids will not be considered.

Grayling Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

-25-2-9

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE

Please be notified the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on October 20, 1997, at 7 pm, in the township office, 2090 Viking Way, to hear the following case:

Case #97-9: Michael & Lynette Corlew, petitioners
T26N, R3W, Sec. 7
Lot 2, Riverside Subdivision
1930 Circle Court
NRD Zone

A request to construct a 12' x 28' addition to an existing residence. Closest point of new construction 41' from the mainstream, a variance of 155' (includes a 4' rise in bank), and 24' from the easterly side lot line, a variance of 16'.

Case #97-10: Bill R. Reed, petitioner.
T26N, R4W, Sec. 22
Lot 4, Block 2, Grayling Park Sub.
3130 S. Portage Ave.
R-2 Zone

A request to add a second story to an existing residence which is 4' from the south side lot line, a variance of 6', and 20' from the rear lot line, a variance of 30'.

Tentative text and zoning maps may be examined at the Township Office during regular business hours.

Correspondence concerning the request should be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. Telephone (517) 348-4361.

Monica S. Ashton,
Township Clerk

Individual performances highlight recent Grayling cross country action

The Pinconning Jamboree individual and team results for the Grayling cross country boys' and girls' teams were much better than the last jamboree-type event the Viking competed in.

"This was a good day for our team," Coach Keith Seybert said of the Sept. 30 event. "The boys team finished better in the team standings, and both the boys' and girls' teams had runners finish stronger than our last jamboree meet."

The boys' cross country squad from Grayling High School was able to score enough points to finish in seventh place out of nine teams. The Viking boys finished ahead of Standish-Sterling and Pinconning, which is quite an accomplishment. The runners from the boys' team also just missed finishing ahead of Tawas.

Mickey McClain led the boys' team, finishing in 26th place with a time of 18:39. Jared Medler crossed the finish line next for the Vikings in a time of 19:12, which was good enough for 36th position.

The other varsity times were turned in by Jason Boreo (19:45), Bret Black (19:56) and Paul Jansen (20:38).

The other runners from Viking boys' squad who competed in the jamboree were: James Jones (20:40), Rob Dent (21:43), Armand Lawrence (22:34) and John McNamara (27:23).

Teams need five runners to have a team score, and the girls' squad from Grayling only had four.

The girls were led by Brooke Ginter, who turned in a strong race. She finished in 23rd place, with a time of 22:52. Katie Olson was next for the Vikings, crossing the finish line in 25:21.

The other two Grayling girls who finished the race were Amy Doherty and Carrie Helebuyck. Doherty finished with a time of 27:27. Helebuyck crossed the finish line in 34:38.

"I was encouraged today," Seybert said of the jamboree. "Some of our times were the fastest of the season. We are continuing to head in the right direction."

The Vikings tried to continue heading in the right direction in Charlevoix on Saturday, Oct. 4. Grayling competed with 13 other

teams in the weekend tournament. McClain once again led the boys' team and earned a medal at the tournament. He finished in 18th position, with a time of 18:13.

Medler and Black crossed the finish line one right after the other at the tournament race. Medler finished 34th, crossing the line in 19:40. Black was next in 35th place, finishing in 19:43.

The next two Viking runners were grouped together too. Boreo and Jansen finished in 44th place and



45th place, respectively. Dent and Jones also crossed the line close together, with Dent finishing 50th and Jones ending up 51st. Lawrence rounded out the Viking varsity finishers, completing the course in 22:38 for 54th place.

Adam Knapp and McNamara took part in the junior varsity portion of the tournament. Knapp finished in 22:07 and McNamara had a time of 27:47.

Mary Doherty returned to the line-up to lead the girls' squad. She finished 27th, with a time of 22:56. Ginter finished just behind her, with a time of 23:18 for 29th position. Olson rounded out the varsity competitors for the girls, finishing in 48th place.

Doherty and Helebuyck competed in the JV race. Doherty crossed the finish line in 27:49 and Helebuyck had a time of 34:36.

"We had great week of practice and races," Seybert said of last week's action. "We again had a number of athletes running faster times. I'm looking forward to the remaining six meets. I hope to see continual improvement."

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGESALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Karen A. MacDonald, a single person to United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgage, dated October 22, 1976 and recorded on October 26, 1976 in Liber 156, on Page 107, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the BANKERS TRUST AS TRUSTEE for the Rural Housing Trust 1987-1, as assignee by an assignment dated November 19, 1987 which was recorded on November 25, 1987, in Liber 270, on Page 300, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Nine Thousand Three Hundred One And 34/100 dollars (\$9,301.34), including interest at 8% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at

public vendue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on November 12, 1997.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Lots One (1) and Two (2), Block Twenty (20) Roffee's Addition to the Village of Grayling, a subdivision of part of the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 7, T26N, R3W, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 page 11, Plats, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 2, 1997
BANKERS TRUST AS TRUSTEE
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
(248) 642-4202
Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys for BANKERS TRUST AS TRUSTEE,
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Bingham Farms, Michigan 48026
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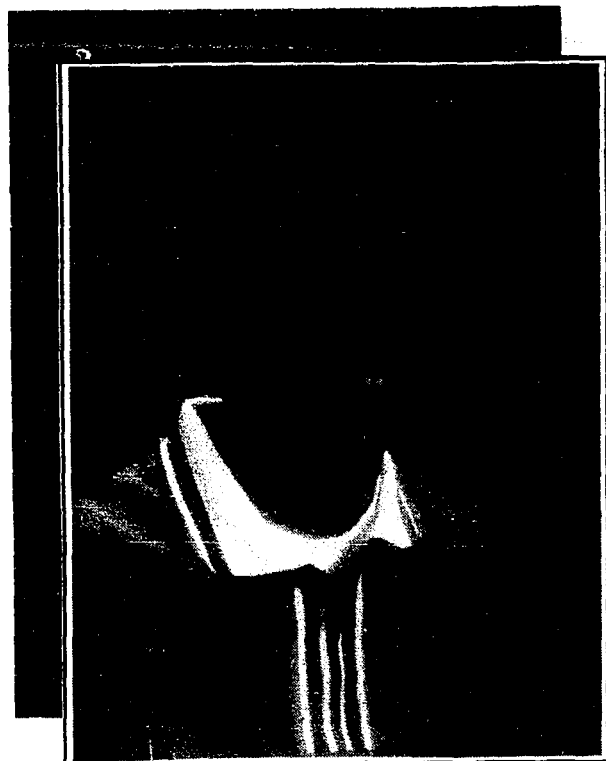
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Crawford County Construction Board of Appeals NOTICE OF BOARD POSITIONS

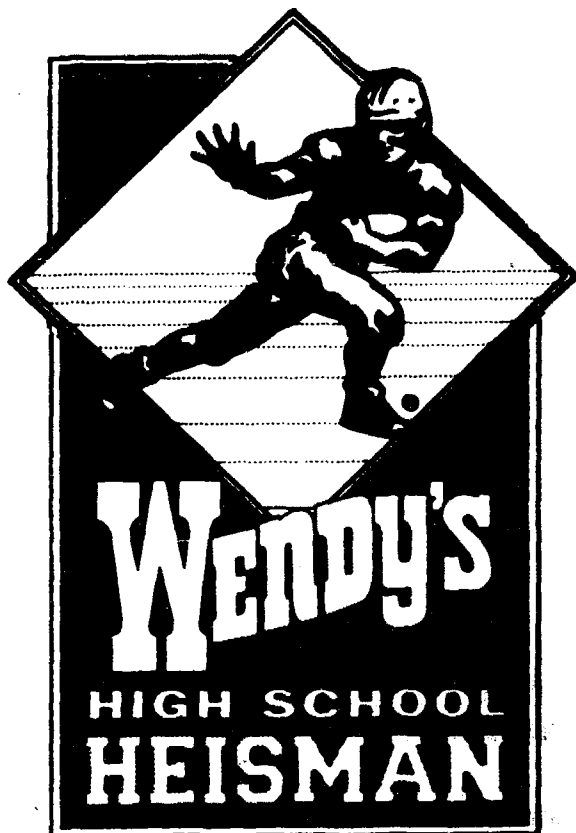
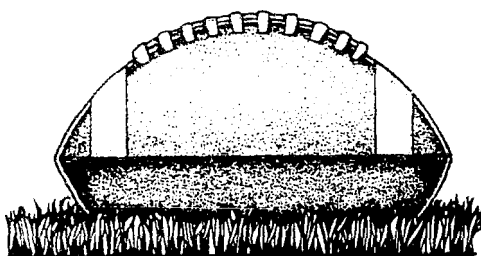
The Crawford County Board of Commissioners is accepting applications for current appointments on the county Construction Board of Appeals. The State of Michigan Bureau of Construction Codes states, "A member of the Board of Appeals shall be qualified by experience or training to perform the duties of members of the Board of Appeals." Members must have background in construction and a working knowledge of the codes being enforced by the governmental subdivision in order to process appeals and consider variances." Qualified applicants are to be residents of Crawford County and may submit applications available by County Clerk Sandra Moore at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738, no later than 4:30 pm Monday, October 13, 1997.

Sandra Moore
Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds
October 1, 1997

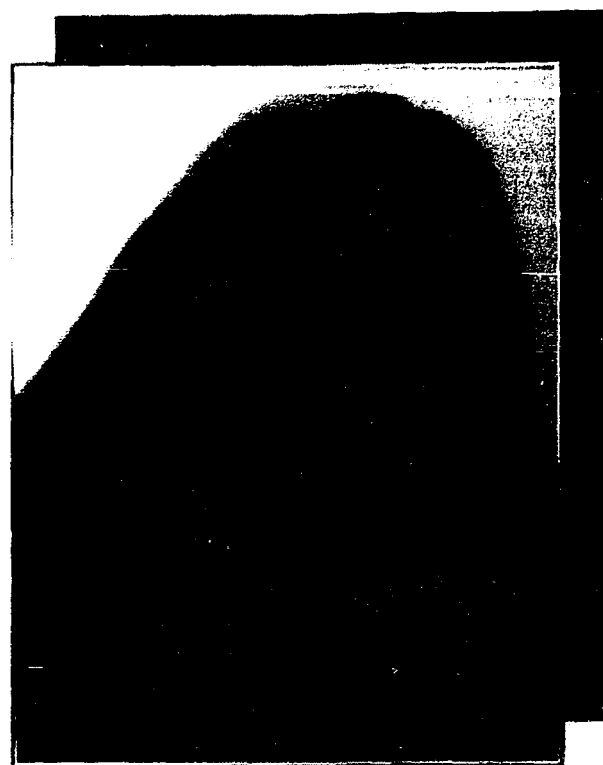
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Grayling Vikings



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Grayling Vikings



LEGAL ACTION

RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS Special Council Meeting September 16, 1997

Meeting called to order by Mayor Golnick at 7:00 p.m. Members Present: Golnick, Moshier, Akers, Ruddy*. Members Absent: Stevens. Also in Attendance: Joseph Callewact, Lynette Corlew, Terry Wright, Jay L. Stephan Jr., Monica Ashton, Edgar Parks, (Norman Bancroft at 7:30 p.m.) 4 members of Grayling Twp Planning Commission and Mark Wyckoff of the Planning & Zoning Center.

Mayor Golnick opened the Public Hearing on the Master Plan. 7:05 p.m. Mr. Wyckoff made a brief presentation of the joint City/Grayling Township Master Plan which has been under development for 18 months.

Mr. Wyckoff answered several questions about various parts of the Master Plan and its relation to various enforcement tools such as Zoning Ordinances, etc.

*Mr. Ruddy was now present at 7:20 p.m.

Mr. Wyckoff asked for comments from the public.

Mr. Jay L. Stephan spoke against the whole concept of a plan as a prelude to oppressive regulation of private property rights and stated he felt that the plan was a waste of money, not wanted by the public and a blatant attempt by local officials to regulate the use of private property. Mr. Stephan lives in Grayling Township.

Mr. Joseph Callewact made several statements regarding cost of the plan to the City and Township and stated that he does not believe we need or should have a plan because it does not allow for free and unregulated use of a persons private property. Mr. Callewact is not a city resident.

Mr. Ed Parks, private citizen and president of the AuSable River Property Owners Association noted for the record, that Section 2.2 of the Plan should state that the AuSable has been recognized as a national treasure and a pristine stream which must be protected. Mr. Parks spoke in favor of the Master Plan as presented with that addition. He stated that the only way to preserve and enhance the river and the area is to have a plan and related regulations to protect our fragile environment.

The City Council and Township Planning Commission all agreed that the amendments set out in Mr. Wyckoff's letter of June 13, 1997 and the addition of language in Section

2.2 about national recognition of the AuSable as noted by Mr. Parks should be included in the proposed Master Plan document prior to final publication.

Mayor Golnick closed the Public Hearing on the Master Plan at 7:49 p.m.

Motion by Golnick, supported by Akers to adopt the following resolution.

RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION OF MASTER PLAN BY CITY OF GRAYLING

WHEREAS, the Grayling City Council has duly prepared a Master Plan for the development of the City in cooperation with the Grayling Township Planning Commission and Grayling Township Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the Grayling City Council has sponsored a duly advertised town meeting on June 2, 1997 to receive public comment on the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Plan was further refined

as a result of public input; and

WHEREAS, the Grayling City Council has conducted a duly advertised public hearing on September 16, 1997, to receive public comment on the Plan;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Grayling City Council does hereby adopt the City of Grayling and Grayling Township Master Plan on the date listed below and does direct the City Manager to deliver a copy of the adopted Master Plan to the County Register of Deeds along with this Resolution as certification of the adoption of the Plan.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that this Resolution be published inside the back cover of each copy of the Master Plan to certify that all maps, charts and descriptive and explanatory matter therein are a part of the Plan as so signified by the signature of the Mayor of the City of Grayling on this Resolution.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Golnick, Ruddy, Akers, Moshier. Nays: None. Absent: Stevens. Motion carried. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0.

Absent: 1 (Stevens).

Date: September 16, 1997.

Robert B. Golnick, Mayor City of Grayling

Jerry W. Morford, City Clerk, Manager.

Moved by Ruddy, supported by Moshier to adjourn the Special Meeting of the City

Council. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Jerry Morford, City Manager & City Clerk.

NOTICE OF BOARD POSITION The Crawford County Library Board

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners are presently accepting applications for a position on the County Library Board. Applicants are required to be county residents and requested to have an interest in the purpose of the County Library Board and participate in the many decisions which take place at the monthly meetings. Applications can be obtained and submitted to County Clerk Sandra Moore no later than October 20, 1997, at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738

Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register of Deeds
October 1, 1997

ISTEA PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Due to state fundings cuts it is unlikely that significant levels of fundings from Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) sources will be available for projects within Crawford County in either the immediate or near future.

However, the planning for such projects is a continuing process and public hearings pertaining to ISTEA projects are held annually. This year's meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday October 28, 1997 in the Council Meeting Room of the Grayling City Hall, 103 James St., Grayling, MI.

Road projects identified as priorities during the 1996 & 1997 ISTEA public hearings are listed below:

- McMaster's Bridge Road - 8.46 miles between North Down River Road and M-72
- Old US-27 North - 6.26 miles between the I-75 Business Loop in Grayling and CR-612 in Frederic
- North Down River Road - 4.4 miles between I-75 Business Loop in Grayling and Headquarters Road
- North Down River Road - 2.6 miles between Stephan Bridge Road and Wakeley Bridge Road.

Public input is both appropriate and welcomed at ISTEA hearings.

Questions pertaining to this public hearing may be directed to:

Mr. James Briney, Managing Director
Road Commission for Crawford County
Telephone: 348-2281

Mr. David Frederick, Executive Director
Crawford County Transportation Authority
Telephone: 348-8215

Mr. Jerry Morford, Manager
City of Grayling, Telephone: 348-2131

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GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR PRIVATE ROAD MAINTENANCE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICTS

The Grayling Township Board will hold PUBLIC HEARINGS on Tuesday, October 14, 1997, in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (W. M-72), Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding approval of the Tentative Special Assessment Rolls for renewal of Private Road Maintenance Special Assessment Districts on the following roads:

7:00 p.m.: Shangri-La Subdivision, which includes Sunset Strip, Peaceful Vista and Blueberry Hill lying in Sec. 17, T26N, R2W.

7:15 p.m.: S. Horseshoe Trail (N of E. M-72), lying between Sec. 9, 10, 15 & 16, T26N, R2W.

7:30 p.m.: Diamond Drive (formerly Pine Ridge Road), lying in Sec. 22 & 23, T26N, R2W.

Property owners fronting on these roads or using same for access to their parcels should attend the hearing or notify the Township in writing prior to the hearing if they wish to request exemption from the roll because they derive no benefit from the assessment. This will protect future rights to appeal special assessments.

Special Assessment Rolls and proposed estimates are available for inspection at the Grayling Township Hall during regular business hours. Correspondence may be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI. 49738. Phone (517) 348-4361 or FAX (517)348-6713.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

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NOTICE

Open Board Position on the Crawford County Building Authority

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners are accepting applications for an open position on the Crawford County Building Authority Board through 10/20/97. The members of this board re-evaluate and authorize all periodical modifications and revitalization to the livelihood and maintenance of the county courthouse buildings and grounds. All interested applicants must be residents of Crawford County and may acquire applications from Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Register of Deeds, Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Ave, Grayling, Michigan 49738.

Sandra Moore
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NOTICE

The Crawford County Family Independence Agency"

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners are accepting applications from Crawford County residents interested to serve on the Family Independence Agency. All applicants are requested to have an interest in the administrative function of this board and the advisory responsibility in serving the community, the County Board of Commissioners, the State of Michigan and the Department of Social Services. Those interested may acquire and submit by October 20, 1997, applications obtainable from County Clerk Sandra Moore, 200 W. Michigan Avenue., Grayling, MI 49738.

Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register of Deeds
October 1, 1997

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CRAWFORD COUNTY SPORTS

Section C - Sports

Soccer falls to conference powers for a second time

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

Going into last week's games against league opponents — Saginaw Valley Lutheran and Tawas — Grayling had three losses, two coming against these two squads. The team from Saginaw and the soccer players from Tawas showed that they each have very strong and talented teams.

The upper echelon of the North East Michigan Conference put two more losses on Grayling's season mark, although the Viking soccer players proved they can stay with them in head-to-head games. Saginaw Valley Lutheran defeated the Vikings, 4-2, on Sept. 29, and Tawas came into Grayling and beat the Vikings, 3-1.

The Saginaw Valley Lutheran game was very similar to the first meeting in Grayling between the Saginaw team and the Vikings. The Vikings once again got out to an early lead, but then fell behind in the second half, as the experience and the strength of the Valley Lutheran players took over.

The Vikings had to contend with the Saginaw team and the weather conditions. The weather made play difficult with sleet and high winds.

Grayling scored first in the contest, when Jeremy Jones passed the ball forward to Kyle Langseth, who dribbled the ball past two defenders.

He then crossed the ball to Eric Thompson on the left wing for the score.

The Grayling defensive players held Saginaw Valley Lutheran in check through the entire first half. The Vikings took a 1-0 lead into half time.

In the second half, Valley Lutheran started to beat Grayling to the ball and stayed on offense. Grayling had Jon Haskel out with an injury and then lost Jones to a foot injury during the game. This limited the subs Coach Karen Langseth had at her disposal. The Vikings started to get worn down by the opponents' size and excellent play.

Valley Lutheran used their excellent play to score three times very quickly in the second half to take command of the game.

Grayling tried to come back, scoring its second goal off of the foot of Thompson. The scoring play was started by Ravi Ramaswamy, when he chipped the ball over the defense. Thompson chased the ball down and fired a hard shot in the lower left corner of the net.

Saginaw Valley Lutheran added an insurance goal later in the contest. Langseth said Kane Madsen and Josh Brannan had several saves in front of the Grayling net to keep the opponents' score down.

The Oct. 1 game against Tawas

ended in a defeat for the Vikings, but it showed that the Grayling soccer team continues to improve as the season winds down.

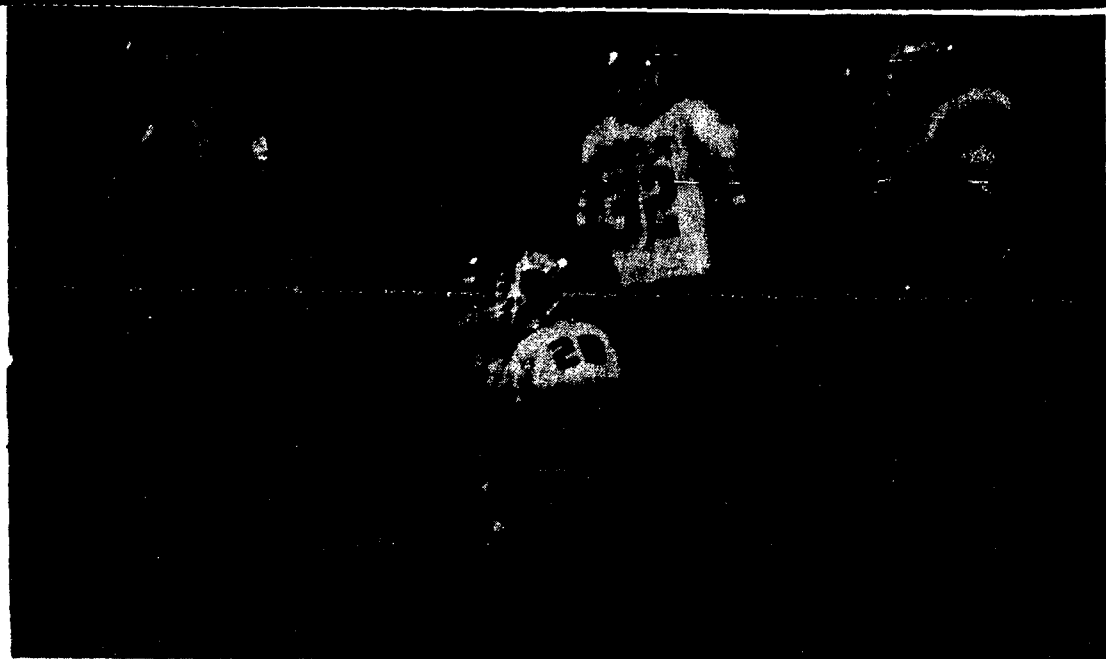
The 3-1 loss to Tawas was a much improved game for Grayling. In the first meeting against Tawas, Grayling lost 5-0. This second meeting was actually very close, but for some inexperience errors by the Vikings it could have gone the other way.

Tawas scored all three of its goals off of Grayling errors. In the first half, a throw-in was meant for the Vikings' keeper, but the ball went over his head, which allowed Tawas to kick in an easy goal.

The second Tawas score happened when the Grayling defense let a ball go by, expecting the keeper to handle it. Unfortunately, the keeper had fallen and the ball went into the goal. The last Tawas goal occurred in the second half when a shot was mishandled, setting up an easy score for Tawas.

The Vikings got on the scoreboard when Dave Hawkins threw the ball into Kyle Langseth. Langseth beat several defenders and the Tawas keeper to score.

Coach Langseth was proud of the way her team played. The Vikings worked very hard in the game and handled the physical play from Tawas.



DEFENSE PREPARES -- The Vikings' defense prepares for battle during a recent home game. Those players getting ready are Joe Woidan (22), Chad Ellis (20), Eli Tobin (32) and Ben Malonen (60).

Thank goodness, vicious three-game stretch is over

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

When the Grayling football coaching staff saw that its 1997 season schedule had a stretch where the Vikings were to play Standish-Sterling, Bay City John Glenn and Ogemaw Heights all in a row, they had to wonder whose cruel joke was this.

The tough three-game stretch was more than a cruel joke, as the three North East Michigan Conference powers "initiated" the Vikings into their brand of football. The three teams showed just how powerful they can be by dominating the Grayling team in each of the contests.

The final domination came on Friday, Oct. 3 in West Branch. Ogemaw Heights took it right to the Vikings (1-4), and came away with a 39-0 victory.

"I'm glad that three-game stretch is over," Coach Rodney Patterson said, following the fourth straight loss for Grayling.

Coming into the contest with the Grayling football team, Ogemaw

Heights was ranked third in the state in Class BB. The Ogemaw team did nothing to hurt that ranking on Friday night.

"Ogemaw's goal at the preseason camps was to win the state championship," Patterson said, and they have a shot at it. That is the best team we have played since I have been here."

The coaching staff watched the game film this past weekend and the coaches said they could not find an offensive or defensive weakness in Ogemaw Heights' team.

This contest was like a carbon copy of the Standish-Sterling and Bay City John Glenn games. Ogemaw used their huge size advantage over Grayling to control the contest. According to Patterson, some of the Ogemaw players outweighed the Vikings by 100 to 200 pounds in certain positions.

"Offensively, we just could not move the ball on the much bigger and stronger football team," Patterson said.

The defense, and offense for that matter, tried to stay with Ogemaw,

but the ranked team could not be contained. Shane Colby was named defensive player of the week. He led the defense with 11 tackles. Travis Beckett also added 11 tackles. Pete Mead had the big stick of the game.

Although the Vikings were dominated, it was not a matter of lack of effort.

"This is the first time that we were beat 39-0 that I felt we played as hard as we could," Patterson said. "We played with a lot of heart and courage."

The Vikings will not be playing a team they have not played before this week. Grayling will play a fellow squad that came over from the old Great Northern Conference.

The Vikings will travel to Lincoln-Alcona to take on the Tigers. It will be Alcona's homecoming.

"I believe this is a good game to play in, because their week will be filled with distractions," Patterson said. "Most teams usually pick a team they think they can beat for homecoming, so they must feel they can beat us."

JV Grayling Redskins win

After starting the season 0-3, the JV Grayling Redskin squad posted a 27-0 victory over the Oscoda Colts on Parent Day for their first win of the year.

Caleb Mead started the scoring for the Redskins with a short touchdown run. The extra-point kick was blocked, making the score 6-0. After the Redskins defense stopped Oscoda; the offense drove down the field with Zach Ostrander scoring. The extra-point kick again failed, making it 12-0.

The Redskins got the ball deep in the Colts territory after Josh Messerschmidt blocked a punt. A few plays later Bryan Winchester scored a short touchdown run, making it 18-0.

After an outstanding kick-off by Justin Hanes that put the Colts within their own five-yard line, the Redskins backed the running back in their own end zone for a safety, making the score 20-0.

Matt Cottrell finished off the scoring with a nice run around the right end. The extra-point was good, making the final score 27-0.

"This was by far the best game the boys played this year," Head Coach Dee Mead said. "Our defense was very strong, stopping them from running out side and the offense did an outstanding job of blocking and running the ball." Coach Rick Cook

stated that "Caleb Mead did an excellent job running the offense, with Matt Cottrell, Zach Ostrander and R.J. Roshy running the ball well. Coaches Bob Mead and Mike Joseph were extremely pleased with the way the defense played. Mead stated, "Brett Mead, John Baker, Steve Gildner, Matt Strohpaul and Brandon Jacobs played a very strong game."

Those coming off the bench to play well were Dustin Ellis, Kyle Fleischmann, Ryan Messerschmidt and Travis Lane. The entire team played an excellent game and the cheerleaders were just outstanding.

The JV squad travels to Oscoda next Saturday to play Pinconning.

Grayling golfers prepare for conference, regional meets

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The Grayling boys' golf team had only one meet this past week, and the open dates for practice allows the golfers to prepare for the end-of-the-season tournaments.

The Vikings were set to take on the rest of the North East Michigan Conference at the conference meet on Oct. 8. The event was to take place at the West Branch Country Club.

The local players also were using the open time to prepare for the regional meet on Friday, Oct. 10. The regional meet also is scheduled to be played at the West Branch Country Club.

The top three teams at the regional meet will advance to the state meet. The top four individuals at the regionals on Friday will earn a spot at the individual state meet. The state meets are set for the weekend of Oct. 18.

Senior Jerry Roman qualified for the individual state meet last year as a junior. He has been one of the top golfers in the area throughout the 1997 season, so he should challenge for a spot at the state meet once again.

Although Roman has led the Grayling varsity golf team with the

best score in almost all of the matches this season, that was not the case at Fairview on Oct. 2.

Matt Mitchell shot one of his best rounds of the season on the Fairview course, earning medalist honors with a 38. Mitchell's great nine-hole score led the Vikings to a tri-meet, non-league victory.

Grayling finished with a team score of 178. Fairview ended up just behind the Vikings with a score of 179. Au Gres completed the round with a score of 226.

"Matt Mitchell shot his second best round of the year on a pretty difficult course," Coach Herb Olson said. "If he drops two strokes any-

where in his great round, we lose."

The Viking golf team could not afford any of its players to finish one stroke higher than what they did.

Roman finished third at the tri-meet with a round of 42. Travis Hulbert added a round of 48 and Rob Lawe shot 50.



WEIGHT TRAINING AWARDS -- Rebecca Brown's and Rodney Patterson's weight training classes continually attempt to have the students lift certain weights. Principal Judy Gorski was in charge of getting the money for the incentive program, and Larry Raymond designed the shirts. The bench press awards for the month of September are: Shawn Ashworth (225), Shane Colby (225), Charles Demoines (275), Cassie Maples (125), Otto Medeiros (225), Chad Ellis (225), Mary Fisher (125), Chris Peters (225), Travis Beckett (225), Nate Beckwith (225), Amy Godlewski (125), Marc Kiefer (225) Nate Niederer (275), James Kelly (225), Eric Deline (255), Nicole Craigie (125), Brad Ritter (225) and Rodney Silk (225). Ben Malonen (225) is missing from the photo.

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Redskins fall to 'Giants'

The Grayling Redskins Freshman II squad ran up against a much larger Gladwin team, who lived up to their name Giants, by having a line that weighed approximately 160-pounds per player. That meant Grayling linemen were outweighed by 45-pounds per player.

The Giants scored first on a drive that took the whole first quarter, but the Redskins quickly retaliated with a score of their own, when Ryan Schmidt returned the kickoff 67 yards for the touchdown. After that, the Redskins could not get their offense going against the bigger line.

Defensively, the Redskins held in there to make it a tight game, and Defensive Coach Darryl Babbitt was pleased with Roy Czapek's 18 tackles, safety Gibson Tobin's 10 tackles, and Casey Darling's, Dustin Partella's and Dan Snider's eight tackles each.

Czapek also had two fumble recoveries, Matt Nederhoed had one fumble recovery. Dustin Partella had one fumble recovery and Andy Strohpaal had one interception and also an offensive reception for 28 yards. That pass was thrown by quarterback Travis Gildner.

Wendy's

Viking of the week

Brooke Ginther

Carrie Hellebuyck

Cross-Country

Brooke Ginther and Carrie Hellebuyck were chosen Viking of the Week. They were among the Vikings that turned in some of their faster times of the season last week.

BOWLING LEAGUE

American Men's League

Ty's Restaurant.....21-14
Fenton's Auto.....21-14
Auto Parts.....21-14
McLean's Ace.....20-15
Upper Lakes.....16-19
Burnside RV.....14-21
Northwood Land.....12-23
Stitches by Sue.....11-24
High Game: R. Pyle, 225; T. Devins, 223; B. Hurd, 218.
High Series: T. Devins, 591; L. Davis, 579; D. Canfield, 570.

Senior Citizens League

Buccilli's Pizza.....13-7
Cornell Realty.....12-8
Baynham Wood Products.....11-9
Sylvester's Sports.....11-9
Totten's Body Shop.....10 1/2-9 1/2
Tees "N" Such "R" Us.....9 1/2-10 1/2
Stevens Family Circle.....9-11
Flowers by Josie.....4-16
Men's High Game: R. Dandy, 221; G. Wolfe, 200; O. Brantley, 181.
Men's High Series: R. Dandy, 521; G. Wolfe, 518; O. Brantley, 484.
Women's High Game: R. Joyce, 198; D. Burrick, 185; D. Mead, 166.
Women's High Series: R. Joyce, 497; D. Mead, 474; D. Burrick, 472.

Recreation League

Fun-N-Sun Rental.....15-5
Cornell's.....11-9
Peterson Saw Service.....11-9
Scheer Motors.....10-10
Mark 8.....10-10
Mickey Perez CPA.....9-11
North Country R.V.....9-11
Glen's Market.....5-15
High Game: M. Perez, 188; D. Mead, 186; J. Andersen, 181.
High Series: D. Mead, 476; D. Lobsinger, 468; M. Perez, 468.

Triangle League

Moshier Auto.....14-6
Milltown Carpet.....13-7
C.S.I.....12-8
Airway Automation.....11-9
Cal Schreiber Bldr.....9 1/2-10 1/2
Barber Construction.....9 1/2-10 1/2
Jackson Trio.....9-11
A Team.....2-18
High Game: M. Campbell, 225; J. Golnick, 211; A. Angove, R. Buskirk, 210.
High Series: A. Angove, 572; R. Schreiber, 530; J. Golnick, 526.

Northwood League

Rochette's.....17
Wakeley's Auto Parts.....14
Millikin's.....11
Milltown Carpet.....11
Helsel Brothers.....9
R. Calkins & Sons.....9
Rich's Cycle Service.....8
R & M Masonary.....1
High Game: M. Miller, 201, 193; L. Dannenburg, 192, 189; N. Tanski, 179.
High Series: M. Miller, 583; L. Dannenburg, 542; S. Romain, 482.

Pioneer League

Millikin's.....11-5
Ginger's.....11-5
Aunt Betty's.....10-6
Chemical Bank.....8-8
Lady Slippers.....8-8
Mercy Hospital.....7-9
Custom Interior.....5-11
Avalanche.....4-12
High Game: K. Trudeau, 202; Y. Schreiber, 198; J. Hinds, 193.
High Series: J. Hinds, 528; Y. Schreiber, 511; C. Jones, 501.

Comedy League

Space Jammers.....3-0
Natty Professors.....3-0
Tin Cups.....3-0
Spy's.....2-1
Clerk's.....1-2
King Pins.....0-3
Paul Bearers.....0-3
Black Sheep.....0-3
High Game: Male: K. Fedak, 10; Female: A. Vogel, 99.
High Series: Male: K. Fedak, 202; Female: A. Vogel, 178.
Most Pins over Average: Male: J. Handy, 27; Female: A. Prosser, 42(female).
Most Pins over Series: Female: T. Root, 27.

Cartoon League

Ninja's.....3-0
Scooby Doo's.....3-0
Robin Hoods.....3-0
Aristocats.....3-0
3 Stooges.....0-3
Fantastics.....0-3
Genie's.....0-3
Looney Tunes.....0-3
High Game: Male: J. Mastej, 112; Female: S. Starks, 116.
High Series: Male: J. Drecksky, 198; Female: S. Starks, 217.
Most Pins over Average: Male: R. Starks, 52; Female: S. Starks, 66.
Most Pins over Series: Male: R. Starks, 30; Female: S. Starks, 67.

Action League

Natural Born Killers.....4-0
Strike 2 Judgments.....3-1
Lethal Weapons.....3-1
J.C.'s 1st Strikers.....2-2
Women in Black.....2-2
Men in Black.....1-3
Phantoms.....1-3
Iron Eagles.....0-4
High Game: Male: D. Wilhelm, 193; Female: N. Strohpaal, 178.
High Series: Male: D. Wilhelm, 430; Female: N. Strohpaal, 480.
Most Pins over Average: Male: C. Marculewicz, 63; Female: N. Strohpaal, 35.
Most Pins over Series: Male: C. Marculewicz, 154; Female: C. Romain, 64.

Friday Night Mixed Doubles

Moshier Auto Repair.....16-4
Suttles.....15 1/2-4 1/2
Charles Country Corner.....11-9
Fick & Sons.....10-10
A. Bulldog Towing.....9 1/2-10 1/2
Aunt Betty's.....8-12
AJD Forest Products.....7-13
Sawmill.....3-17
Men's High Game: M. Campbell, 213; R. Moshier, 186; M. Sumner, 181.
Men's High Series: M. Campbell, 535; M. Sumner, 502; D. Lozon, 479.
Women's High Game: S. Rioux, 190; Y. Schreiber, 186; K. Trudeau, 185.
Women's High Series: K. Treadue, 522; K. Moshier, 487; Y. Schreiber, 474.

Sunday Nite Mixed Doubles

Computer Services.....16-4
Us & Them.....15-5
Suttles Truck Leasing.....10-10
C.S.I.....9-11
Gary's Drywall.....8-12
M.M.L.D.....7-13
Bye.....7-13
R & M Masonary.....6-14
Men's High Game: R. Pyle, 196; J. Helsel, 192; J. Smith, 183.
Men's High Series: J. Helsel, 536; R. Pyle, 533; R. Adkinson, 518.
Women's High Game: M. Starks, 205; J. Hinds, 178; Y. Schreiber, 175.
Women's High Series: M. Miller, 481; K. Moshier, 478; J. Hinds, 458.

Wendy's

Viking of the week



**Boys Golf
Matt Mitchell**

Viking sophomore Matt Mitchell was chosen Viking of the Week, for earning medalist honors with a 38 at Fairview, making this his second-best round of the year.

Wendy's

Viking of the week

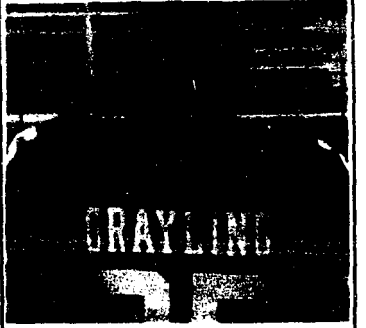


**Soccer
Kane Madsen**

Viking sophomore Kane Madsen was chosen Viking of the Week for helping lead the Grayling defense all year. He also made several saves against Saginaw Valley Lutheran.

Wendy's

Viking of the week



**Football
Shane Colby**

Viking junior Shane Colby was chosen Viking of the Week for leading the defense with 11 tackles. He was also chosen Defensive Player of the Week.

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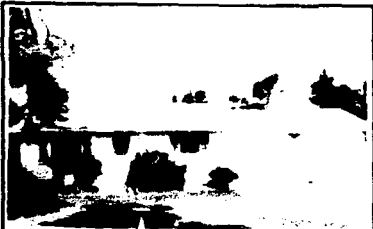
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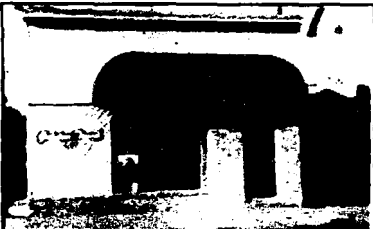
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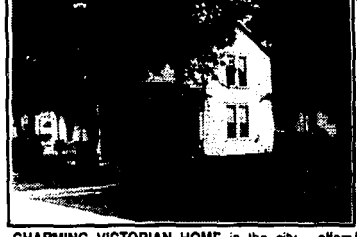
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AUSABLE RIVER FILES-ONLY Secluded location in the Holy Water, 546 ft. frontage, small pond and creek, foot bridge to island. Three bedrooms, two baths, fireplace, enclosed porch. Includes appliances. Large trees and an excellent view. \$199,500. (LM-936)

GRAYLING MOBILE ESTATES Three-bedroom home, 1,630 sq. ft., 1 1/2 baths, family room, covered patio and carport, large garage, garden area. Includes stove, refrigerator and washer. Lots of updating. Owner financing. \$36,900. Reduced to \$31,000. (C-DL-938)

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TWO BEDROOM MOBILE HOME for rent. \$300 per month, \$150 deposit plus utilities. Call 517-348-4131. -25-2/2

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2. For Rent

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FOR RENT: Two possible three bedroom house off Goose Creek Rd. Recently remodeled. \$400 per month plus utilities. Call 517-348-6212. -9/2

FOR RENT: EFFICIENCY CABIN on E. M-72, furnished. \$300 per month plus utilities. First and last months rent and references required. Call 517-348-6212. -9/2

BEDROOM FOR RENT enjoy quiet living in this comfortable home surrounded by woods and wildlife on the AuSable River. \$350 a month, includes all utilities plus cable T.V., laundry, sauna, hot tub, library, and more. 348-2083. -9-16/2

SMALL HOUSE 1/2 BLOCK to Lake Margrethe. Two bedroom, one bath, back yard, carpeted, appliances. \$395 a month plus utilities, one month security deposit. No pets, prefer non-smoker. call 348-2610 or 348-5838. 10/9/97tf/2

APARTMENTS FOR RENT CONTACT Gene or Lona, Frederic Inn. 348-8636. -9-16-23/2

2. For Rent

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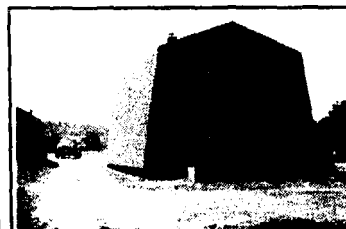
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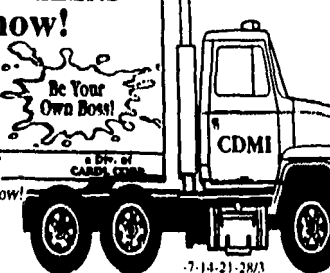
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10. Garage Sales

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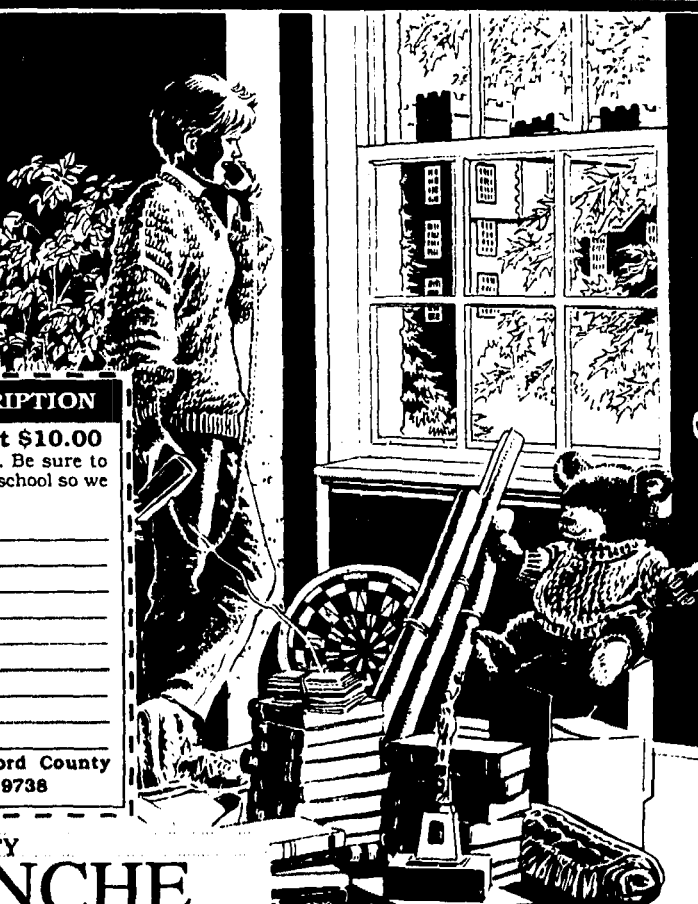
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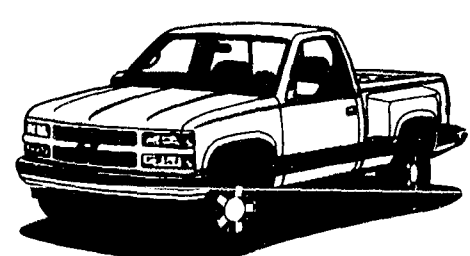
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- 1995 CHEVY BLAZER 2-DR. LS - V-6, air, tilt, cruise, power windows & locks, cassette. \$15,999
- 1994 G20 CHEVY GLADIATOR CONVERSION VAN - 350 V-8, only 33,000 miles, very loaded. \$15,999
- 1994 K1500 EXTENDED CAB SPORTSIDE Z71 - 350 V-8, trailer puller, low miles, loaded, 4x4 pickup. \$18,999



- 1993 CHEVY BLAZER TAHOE 4-DR. - Air, V-6, tilt, cruise, tape, power windows, power locks, very sharp. \$13,999
- 1993 C1500 SILVERADO PICKUP - Two-tone, 350 V-8, air, tilt, cruise, power windows & locks, low miles, one owner. \$12,999
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For The Week Of October 5-11

ARIES

March 21-April 20

Remember that practice makes perfect and keep working at problems or situations that are bothering you. Your breakthrough will come when you least expect it. Making a quick decision will pay unexpected dividends. Use your imagination to balance home and work.

TAURUS

April 21-May 21

Finish current jobs or duties before taking on any new ones. Friends and family will offer many ideas and suggestions. Your hardest job will be to sift through them and find the good ones. A favorite place is calling you back. Don't delay the trip too long or a great opportunity could be lost.

GEMINI

May 22-June 21

Relax and take stock of your situation. You'll see that things really aren't that bad. There will be some loose ends to tie up, but things are resolved in your favor rather quickly. Romance or friendship may intensify. Now could be the time to start making travel or vacation plans.

CANCER

June 22-July 22

What you have been seeking is just beyond your reach. Keep moving ahead, though, because you could be closing in on success. Take your time and study all options and opportunities before making a choice. Finishing one thing may lead you right into another. Go with the flow.

LEO

July 23-August 23

Take a deep breath and dive into that overdue project at work or at home. It won't be as bad as you're expecting. Study the fine print and get outside advice before putting anything in writing. A longtime friend is keeping tabs on you from a distance and offers valuable information that's worth listening to.

VIRGO

August 24-September 22

Clean up small tasks that you just haven't been able to finish before starting on grand plans or elaborate projects. Making the most of what you have keeps you from a potential financial setback. You'll discover the identity of an unexpected, but welcome ally who is working on your behalf.

LIBRA

September 23-October 23

Now is a time to review and revise for the best results in the future. Stepping back from a problem situation can give you a clearer idea of how to solve it. Ask questions and get the answers you want when money is on the line. You may want to take a calculated risk for a bigger payoff.

SCORPIO

October 24-November 22

Keeping a close watch on finances and budgets could allow you to spot a mistake before anyone else does and claim the credit due you. Take some time to practice a new skill or one that you allowed to lapse. Profitable ideas come to you when you least expect it.

SAGITTARIUS

November 23-December 21

Don't rush into major purchases or decisions. Take time to study all sides and get the most information you possibly can. Be alert for opportunities outside your usual routine. A roadblock to your plans is temporary. Now is the time to catch up on all the little things that need to be done.

CAPRICORN

December 22-January 20

Home front takes center stage. Take care of small problems before they turn into major hassles. Refuse to be drawn into gossip or backbiting at work or socially. Taking the high ground will pay off in the long run. A night on with family or friends could be just what you need.

AQUARIUS

January 21-February 18

Test the water before plunging into anything. Refuse to let others push you into acting without all the facts. There may be things happening behind the scenes that will change the situation dramatically. You also may have to serve as the brake on someone else's impulses. They'll thank you later.

PISCES

February 19-March 20

Starting low and working behind the scenes gets the best results for you now. Don't draw attention to yourself. You'll learn more that way than by blowing your own horn. Putting your plans on hold now to aid another will benefit you many times over in the future.



HOME NEEDED -- For a one-year-old neutered male. He is housebroken and probably good with kids. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Taste of the Islands Carrot Cake

(makes one 9-inch, 3-layer cake or 16 servings)

1 3/4 C. + 4T. all-purpose flour; 2 t. baking soda; 2 t. ground cinnamon; 1/4 t. salt; 1 1/2 C. vegetable oil; 1 2/3 C. granulated sugar; 3 large eggs; 4 C. shredded carrots; 1 C. chopped unsalted macadamia nuts or pecans; 1/2 C. raisins or currants

Pre-heat oven to 350° F. Grease three 9 x 1 1/2-inch cake pans. Line bottom with circle of wax paper. Grease paper and lightly flour pans. Sift together 1 3/4 C. + 2T. flour, baking soda, cinnamon and salt. In large mixing bowl, combine sugar, oil and eggs. With electric mixer, beat at med. speed until light in color, about 3-4 minutes. At low speed, gradually add flour mixture, beating just until smooth. Combine carrots, nuts, raisins and remaining 2 T. flour. Gently fold into batter. Pour batter into prepared pans. Bake at 350° F. for 28-30 min. Turn cake out and cool completely, paper side down.

To assemble cake: Peel paper off cake layers. Place one layer on serving plate. Spread pineapple filling over cake layer. Place second layer on top of filling and spread about 1 cup of icing over cake layer. Top with third layer and spread remaining icing evenly over sides and top of cake. Press chopped, toasted nuts onto sides of cake.

Pineapple Filling

2 C. diced fresh pineapple; 1/2 C. granulated sugar; 1/4 C. pineapple juice; 2 T. cornstarch; 1 t. vanilla extract

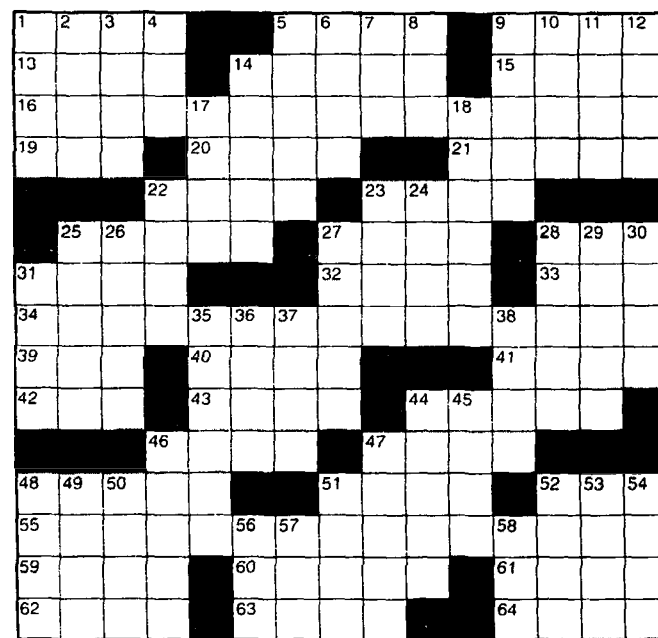
In med. saucepan, combine pineapple & sugar. Cook over low heat, stirring occasionally, until pineapple is tender, about 15-20 min. Combine pineapple juice & cornstarch and stir into cooked pineapple, boil for one min., stirring constantly. Remove from heat, stir in vanilla. Cool. (Can be made ahead and chilled, covered, in refrigerator.)

Cream Cheese Icing

2 pkgs (8-oz. each) cream cheese, softened; 1/2 C. soft butter; 1 C. powdered sugar; 1 t. vanilla extract; 1 C. finely chopped toasted, unsalted macadamia nuts or pecans

In med. bowl, with electric mixer, beat together cream cheese and butter. Add sugar and vanilla; beat until smooth.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. "I _____ to Pieces" (Patsy Cline song)
5. Fell's creator
9. Author Ephron
13. "I cannot tell _____"
14. Oversize book
15. Actor Bogosian
16. Biblical foes
19. Vane dir.
20. Saint of the Russian Orthodox Church
21. It may be blind
22. Just okay
23. Vintner's containers
25. _____ de cassis
27. Nat or Natalie
28. Grazing spot
31. Exuberant cry
32. Beggar's request
33. Jungfrau, for one
34. Congressmen
39. Earlier than, in verse
40. Shredded
41. Delicious, to a Spaniard
42. _____ desperandum
43. Boor
44. Hangout
46. Females
47. Corn holders
48. Rough House _____ (Clara Bow film)
51. Queen, in India
52. One of Killy's pair
55. Versions

DOWN

1. Cinematic technique
2. Breast beater's cry
3. _____ from New York...
4. Wreath
5. Zaire River, formerly
6. Actor Robert
7. Equip
8. Pooh's friend
9. Armstrong et al.
10. Kind of history
11. Ceremony
12. Rheumatic
14. Tartuffian
17. Pessimist's prediction
18. Newest
22. Soothsayer
23. Unit of electricity
24. Egyptian dancing girl
25. Darling, in Dijon
26. Throw back
27. Worked on a chair seat
28. Actress Linda

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A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 YEARS AGO October 10, 1974

Chamber joins Snowmobile Association — for the benefit of those businesses in the Grayling region who cater to snowmobilers, the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce has joined the Michigan International Snowmobile Association.

Camp Shawono Dedication — Open house set for Monday, Oct. 21. Camp Shawono is a new \$860,000 facility replacing the present Camp LaVictoire.

Ruth Gruitch to Head Local Trout Unlimited Chapter — Ruth is the first woman president in the history of the chapter and believed to be the first one throughout the National Organization.

Local Marine in Japan — Marine Lance Corporal Arthur J. Wilcox, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Wilcox, Jr. reported for duty at Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, Japan.

Navy Fireman John R. Hostman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen L. Hostman, graduated from recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

Technical Sergeant Robert H. Midkiff, son of Mrs. Dora E. Midkiff, is participating in a joint U.S. Air Force/Army training exercise in Makakilo, Hawaii.

Kirtland receives gift painting by Adelaide Lurence of Kirtland's Warblers; donated by Jack Alef, President of Grayling State Bank and Bill Joseph, owner of Grayling Mercantile, Robert Bovee, chairman of the Kirtland Board of Trustees accepted the gift.

FOR SALE — Attractive 3 bedroom home with 1,008 sq. ft. for only \$20,900.00.

Chief Shoppenagons announces another first for the Grayling and surrounding area, chinese food every Wednesday evening.

46 YEARS AGO October 11, 1951

Doctor sues state of Michigan for crop damage by deer. Dr. Godfrey sued for \$5,450 for alleged damage to field crops by deer in 1946, 47, 48, 49, 50 and 51.

Local Store in Nation-Wide Contest — B-C-D Company of Grayling will be one of thousands of appliance dealers participating in a \$2,000,000. "American Way of Life" contest. Harold S. Cliff President has announced.

Women's Club — First meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Bertha Peterson, Monday Evening.

The Fiftieth Anniversary of the Crawford County Grange was celebrated at the Grange Hall Saturday, Sept. 29th.

Mrs. J. F. Cook entertained a group of little boys and girls Wednesday in celebration of her son John's fourth birthday.

Bobby Strong was twelve years old on Wednesday

On Saturday afternoon, 15 little friends and schoolmates helped Freddie Allen celebrate his 8th birthday. He received many nice gifts. A nice lunch was served by his mother and all left happy and wishing Freddie many more birthdays.

Charles Moshier was in Detroit Friday, and drove back a new DeSota. In view of all the snow here, Sunday, the Moshiers were quite surprised to discover their lilac bush in bloom.

69 YEARS AGO October 11, 1928

Dr. Claude R. Keyport has been unanimously elected vice president of the State Medical Board.

Mrs. Margaret Wehnes, one of the oldest pioneer women of South Branch Township, was laid to rest in Rock

Cemetery Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis O. Peck celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, Saturday, October 6th.

Coach Lavern Cushman, Mr. Hill, Elmer Fenton, Stanley Stephan, Amos Hoesli, William Garner, attended the U of M vs Ohio Wesleyan football game in Ann Arbor Saturday. They had five flat tires on the way down and after an all night ride, arrived at their destination about noon Saturday. Louis Konvicka, Francis Brady, James Post, Charles Wylie and Thorwald Sorenson also attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ferguson are spending a day or so visiting their daughter, Mrs. R.L. Jackson. Mr. Jackson has accepted the position as caretaker of the Red Dog Club.

School was closed at 9:45 this forenoon owing to the city water being shut off while new pipes were being laid.

Mrs. Mauprice Gorman, nurse, has been hired by the Board of Education to spend several hours at the school each day to try to check the measles epidemic.

Monday was the 76th birthday of Mrs. Louis LaMotte and several children and grandchildren called to help her celebrate.

A new steel forest fire observation tower 100 feet high, of the new enclosed type, was erected this week on the hill south of Houghton Lake village. Mert McClure and John Pearsall, local Conservation officers, assisted with its erection.

102 YEARS AGO October 12, 1905

A little snow in the air yesterday. Rev. Pillmeier and family have moved into Mrs. Sparks house on Maple Street.

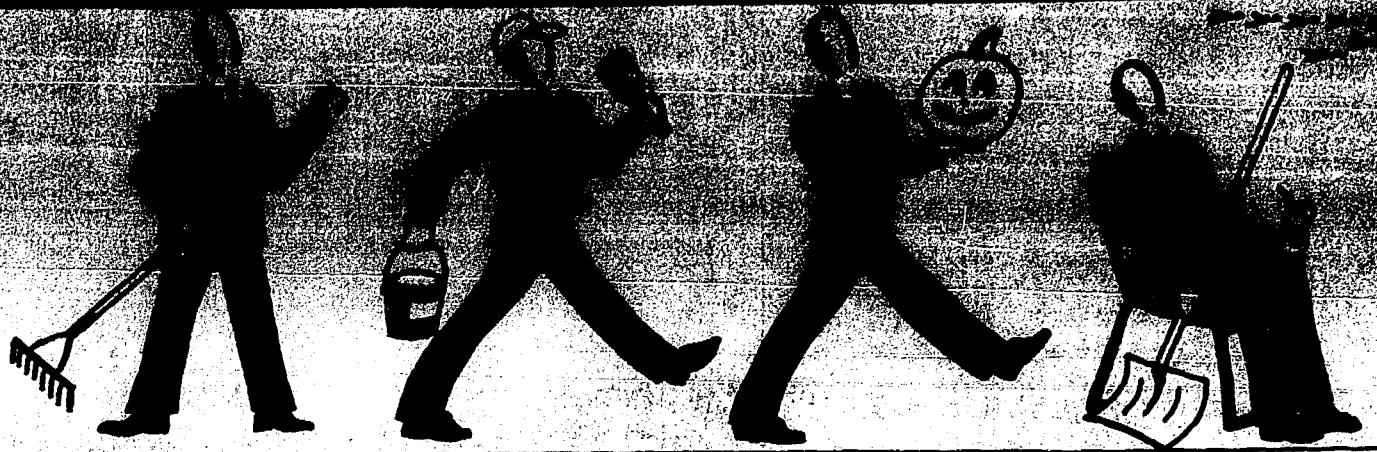


WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	High	Low	Precip
10/1	53	28	
10/2	56	28	
10/3	70	40	
10/4	77	39	0.07
10/5	71	40	0.19
10/6	77	39	
10/7	78	42	0.34

Forecast courtesy of the U.S. National Weather Service in Grayling, Wednesday, October 9, 1997. High up to 70 to near 80, mostly sunny, light rain, and chance of heavy rain Friday. High 70 to 80, mostly sunny, and chance of heavy rain Saturday. High 60 to 70, mostly sunny, and chance of heavy rain Sunday. High 60 to 70, mostly sunny, and chance of heavy rain Monday. High 60 to 70, mostly sunny, and chance of heavy rain Tuesday.



AuSable River East Branch with 320 feet of frontage. A wonderful three-bedroom home with a natural setting has a fantastic family room with T&G cedar walls and plenty of windows. New kitchen in 1996, beautiful landscaping and decking. \$110,000. #4075



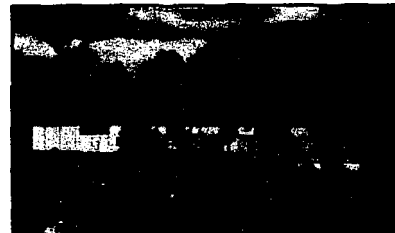
Close to Bear Lake Access, Cute & Clean This home has been very well maintained & has three bedrooms, two baths, 14x22 garage, fenced-in area on a 101'x469' hardwooded parcel of land. Accessed off a county maintained, paved road. \$36,000. #4121



Commercial Opportunity Comes with a Lovely Home Nicely maintained three-bedroom home with attached business has plenty to offer. Shop has private entrance and a private bathroom facility. Garage, fenced yard. \$96,500. #3666



City Home Located Close to the Middle School Built in 1994 is this three-bedroom, two-bathroom home. Comes with all the appliances, a sliding glass door to back deck and a covered front porch. \$57,500. #4089

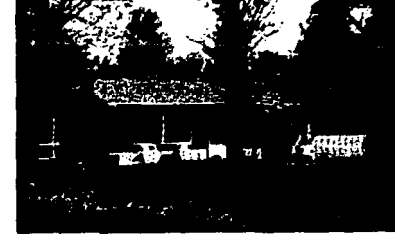


Motivated Seller! Four-bedroom, two-bath home with all the extras. Pole barn, two storage sheds, enclosed porch and close to Manistee River and snowmobile trails. \$68,900. #4144



Beautiful Mobile Home is Secluded on 2 1/2 Acres Features two bedrooms, an enormous three-car garage, wonderful landscaped yard, decks and comes with washer, dryer, refrigerator and stove. \$46,000. #4094

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330 Ft. on AuSable River & Canal, Has Water View From Almost Every Room. Quality-built ranch home also has exquisite master bath with step-up Jacuzzi bath, shower and ceramic tile. Large deck on river side located off living room. \$134,500. #4103



Log Home on the North Branch of the AuSable River Quality full-cedar log home offers 2,368 sq. ft., fieldstone fireplace, walk-out basement, extensive decking and 200' of frontage on both sides of river. \$214,900. #4033



Neat & Clean Residential Home Three-bedroom home located close to Lake Margrethe has a large family room with gas log burner, air conditioning, sun porch, deck and garage. \$82,900. #4059



39 Acres with Honey Well Creek and a 4,368 Sq. Ft. Home Four miles of trails with bridges crossing the creek, three ponds, two pavilions, one with a fireplace, walk-out basement, large garage, pole barn and so much more! It's paradise! \$284,900. #4096



Local Restaurant Has Up-North Atmosphere Busy year-round restaurant located on I-75 Business Loop with 230 feet of frontage. Has room to expand, and also on location is a three-bedroom home. \$230,000. #4088



Very Neat and Clean Home on Four Acres with a beautiful fireplace, new carpet throughout, new hot water heater, new kitchen sink and faucets, nice screened-in porch, heated garage and storage shed. Immediate Occupancy! \$42,500. #3936



Year-Around or Weekend Get-A-Way This adorable and well-insulated three-bedroom home features a full bath, lots of kitchen cabinets, all appliances, most furnishings, and is on about an acre of land. \$44,500. #3917



Commercially Zoned, 200 Feet Frontage Located on M-72 West is this great commercial opportunity. Includes a mobile home with addition, basement and 26x32 drive-through garage. Call for appointment. \$66,000. #3939

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The ease and freedom of condominium lifestyle has arrived in the Grayling area.

Let others cut the grass, shovel the snow, haul the trash, and do the repairs. Phase 1 construction starting as soon as weather permits. Pre-construction orders are now being taken for the limited first few homes. Stop in and let us show you how you can take part in the planning of your new home.

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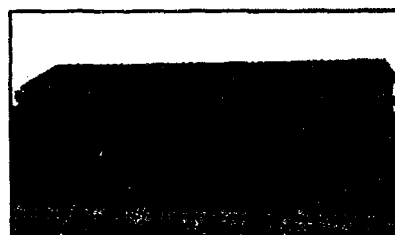
Move Right In to this very-clean and well-maintained mobile home. Comes furnished and has central air, a snow roof and is situated on a large corner lot. \$28,000. #4185



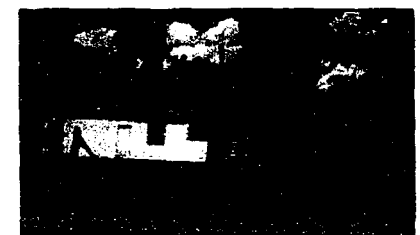
Snowmobiler's Delight, Comes Furnished Nice, neat cabin backs up to state land. Comes with all furnishings, and is ready to move in and use. New 3/4 bathroom. Close to restaurants, store, gas station and trails. \$19,900. #4040



Enjoy Beautiful Lake Margrethe in Your Log Home Offering a master bedroom with a Jacuzzi tub in the master bath. Large loft area with private bath, plus quarters above large two-car attached garage for either a family room or guest quarters. \$134,900. #4135



Commercial Property Start up your own business with this 60x25 building located on 2.5 acres. Close to snowmobile trails and AuSable River. Many possible uses. Priced at \$22,500. #4072



Mobile Home on 1 1/2 Acres, Only Minutes From Higgins Lake Centrally located between Grayling and Roscommon makes this a great get-away for year-around fun! Featuring two bedrooms, one bath, stove & refrigerator, and comes furnished. \$32,000. #4130



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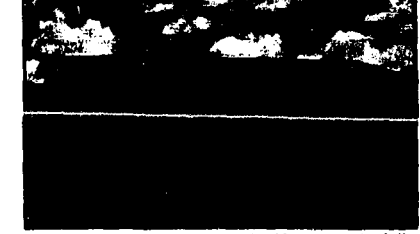
Randy Thompson



Affordable Up-North Get-A-Way Two-bedroom mobile home comes mostly furnished. Small log cabin has electricity, heater and hand pump well. Located on 1.8 acres, in "as-is" condition. \$15,000. #3911



Here it is! A Log Cabin in the Woods for the recreational and outdoor lover. Two-bedroom cabin sets on 13 acres, and features wood-stove, large deck, 15x15 shed, includes stove and refrigerator. Some finish work needed. \$59,900. #4133



Three-Bedroom, One-Bath Home with full basement, two-car garage and excellent location. Great starter home. \$58,400. #4143

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